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Let's cool off with the dipper dredge Crest in Bo



British Information Services Photo

Massive booms of steel swing to and fro over swiftly moving water almost 3,500 miles up the River Hile. Eventually a dam will close the 80-foot gap to provide power for the young industrial sinews of the British Protectorate of Uganda.

But, for local people, at the moment, it's still just a good place to fish.

NEWS AND VIEWS

of the construction industry - CPR 105 revised, biggest road bill yet



Final levels of steel allocations for the fourth quarter will not be established until after the strike ends. DPA's Henry Fowler assures users, however, that advance fourth-quarter allotments will not be disturbed, although adjustments may be necessary later.

Construction activity continues at a spirited pace, with outlays for new construction hitting a record of \$14.9 billion for the first six months of this year. That's a 4 per cent increase over 1951... Students of the business outlook prophesy a good year which may carry over into 1953.

It looks like pressure from the Associated Equipment Distributors has finally borne fruit CPR 105, the regulation which determines price ceilings on used construction machinery and parts, has now been revised. One of the most important changes permits freight charges to be included in the base price, from which the celling price is computed. This ceiling price for rebuilt and guaranteed machinery is either 85 per cent of the base price or a price determined by the depreciation method. For used machinery that does not qualify as rebuilt and guaranteed, the ceiling is 55 per cent of the base or that determined by depreciation.

We have noted from time to time how more and more agencies are getting on the bigger and better-highways bandwagon. Here's a new one to add to the list—Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beame. The famous Wall Street brokerage firm devoted a special issue of its "Investors' Reader" to the cause . . . Look magazine as a pretty dim view of the highway future in its March 11 article "Why Motorists Blow Their Tops". The editors have issued this statement of policy: "Look intends to focus increasing attention on the nation's automotive problems in the months ahead."

Some of the highway talk must be reaching Congressional ears, however. A record \$1,385,000,000 was voted as Federal Aid. The Government will allocate \$575,000,000 during 1954 and 1955 to be matched by participating states. Also included in the bill is a new fund starting of \$25,000,000 for the Interstate Highway System. The amount is hardly a drop in the bucket, but it does show recognition of the problem. For a list of the allocations state by state, see page 98

Something always seems to throw up a barricade in the path of progress. As Congress votes more for the nation's bulging highways, construction on the much needed 88-mile Oklahoma Turnpike is creeping to a standstill. Shortages of reinforcing steel as a result of the strike have caused a number of bridge projects to cease operations. Fortunately, the asphaltic-concrete paying can continue.

Highway news of a lighter nature comes to us from Wyoming. The State's Commerce and Industry Department is using a road construction project as a tourist attraction. Travelers on the new highway in Telephone Canyon are invited to look over the work which they are assured will be an "attraction in displaying modern methods and machinery used in highway construction". Signs and flagmen keep the traveler on the right route.

Complete withdrawal by the Federal government from the field of gasoline taxation was urged at the recent Governors' Conference in Houston, Texas . . . Decontrol in general seems to be gaining favor in many quarters . . At the same time, however, the U. S. Department of Commerce reports that one dollar out of six now paid in wages goes to a Government worker.

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Rising out of the heart of the city of Caracas, Venezual is this \$300,000,000 "Rockefeller Center". Directly in free of each of the two twin buildings now completed, a story office building will overlook an express highway

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Speak Up, Engineers!

There's too much hiding of lights under bushels where U. S. engineers are concerned. Engineers should publicize their achievements, said Hartley W. Barclay, Industrial Advertising Manager of "The New York Times", speaking before the annual meeting of the New York Chapter of the New York State Society of Professional Engineers. Why be shy about major engineering gains in flood control and waterways;

transportation and highways; smoke control and combustion efficiency; water supply and storage; safety in civic and industrial affairs and in aviation; power generation and fuel supply; and communications and understanding of technological progress? These are only a few achievements, said Mr. Barclay, yet few people in the engineering field have taken the time to tell how these gains came about, and who was responsible for them.

Mr. Barclay suggested these steps

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one of the Midwest's main highways



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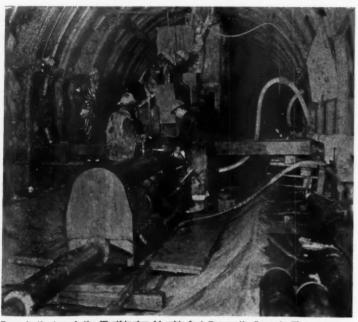
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of the equipment that served on the Philadelphia storm-relief sewer-tunnel job: a Unit crane at



Pneumatic Placer Lines Tunnel



Concrete for Invert and Arch Is Blown 750 Feet Through Six-Inch Line to Build Storm Sewer Through Rock By WILLIAM H. OUIRK. way in December, 1950, after the city Department of Public Works awarded • A STORM-RELIEF sewer tunnel was lined with concrete speedily and effectively by a Worthington Pneumain May of this year.
Stationing of the 2,700-foot flood-re-

tic Placer that "blew" the transit-mix material as much as 750 feet through a 6-inch pipeline at a pressure of 100 psi. At the maximum limit of 750 feet used on this job, concrete was placed at the rate of 9 cubic yards an hour. Production increased as the pipeline shortened, so that an average of 15 yards an hour was maintained for the entire 2,700-foot project. The maximum was 27 cubic yards an hour.

The tunnel is part of a comprehensive storm-relief program of the city of Philadelphia, Pa., and will provide relief from flooding, after heavy storms, for a large area in the Logan section east of Broad Street. Initiated nearly twenty years ago, the project was de-layed by World War II and the materials shortage, but finally got under

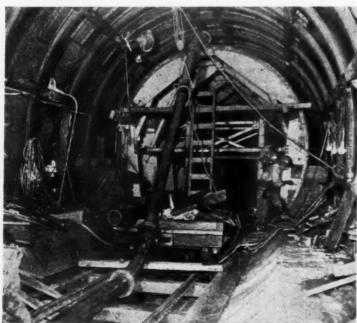
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a \$1,350,000 contract to Joseph Lombardi & Sons, general contractor, of Philadelphia. The job was completed

lief tunnel begins just east of 9th Street, and runs west along Wingohocking Street to Old York Road where there is a slight turn to the right into Belfield Avenue that connects with Broad Street where the project ends. The flow is eastward, with an average drop in the grade of 8 inches to 100 feet. From the east end of the tunnel, existing sewer lines carry the flow to Frankford Creek, about one mile distant; the creek empties into the Delaware River just north of the Bridesburg section of Philadelphia.

Tunnel Section

Two different cross sections of sewer were constructed. Because of insuf-(Continued on next page)



At the discharge end, the 600-foot pipeline from the placer makes a 14-foot lift before it enters Blaw-Knox tunnel forms. Notice the supporting steel which was left in place.



Here a Blaw-Knox form has been dropped from a recently completed section of concrete lining and is ready to be moved on to another section.

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ficient depth at the west end near the Broad Street subway, the sewer was built in open cut for 357 feet. For this short distance the tunnel is a conventional box-type structure—14 feet wide x 16 feet high—with a transition into an existing 16 x 17-foot circular cross-

section concrete sewer.

For the rest of the distance east of the box portion, the tunnel has a circular cross section flattened at the bottom. Inside width and height dimensions are 17 and 16 feet respectively. At the top, the curved invert is 11 feet wide, while the flat bottom width is 12 feet. Both walls and invert of plain concrete are 18 inches thick; at the sides the invert section is 30 inches in height. At the east end there is a transition into an existing 12 x 21-foot horseshoeshaped sewer.

At the west end of the circular tun-

nel the invert grade is 39 feet below the ground; at the eastern end the tunnel is deeper, with the invert grade 51 feet below the level of the street. A future subway planned for Roosevelt Boulevard will pass above the sewer near its eastern end.

Through Rock

For its entire length the tunnel was driven through rock-a mica stratum, for the most part, that underlies nearly all of Philadelphia. A shaft was sunk, 52 feet deep, at the midpoint of the tunnel near the corner of Wingohocking and 11th Streets, and the drilling was done both ways from the bottom of the shaft. Lined with 3 x random-length timber sheathing and braced with 12 x 12's, the shaft had inside dimensions of 12 x 22 feet. The contractor worked only a single shift, drilling one face while mucking the other face.

Above-ground activity was limited to

the small lot surrounding the shaft. Within its wooden-fence enclosure was the hog house containing lockers and showers for the sand hogs, a compressor building, offices for the contractor and city inspectors, two underground magazines containing the dynamite caps and powder, and storage space for the various materials and equipment needed in the construction.

Drilling was done from a jumbo movon tracks and holding eight Ingersoll-Rand DA-35 drifters, in which were used 11/8-inch drill steel in 2, 4, 6, and 8-foot lengths to get a 6-foot shot. Carbide-tipped 1%-inch Rok-Bits were employed. City water for the bits went up to the heading through a 2-inch pipeline, while the high-pressure air was carried in a 4-inch line. Air for the muckers, pneumatic concrete plac-ers, and the drills was supplied by Le Roi compressors—three at 600 cfm and one 500-cfm machine, housed in the compressor building. They pumped into a 3-foot-diameter x 18-foot-long receiver, and from that the air was carried down the shaft in a 6-inch line. At the bottom a 4-inch pipe led off to the east and west headings.

Victaulic couplings were used throughout the job for all pipe con-nections, and Goodall supplied the nec-

Drilling and Mucking

Two Joy blowers, one for each heading, furnished low-pressure air for ventilation. They were powered by 25hp motors, and were connected to 18inch-diameter Naylor spiral-welded steel air lines that ran up the side of each tunnel to the heading. The ma-chines were reversible, with air being blown in to the men while they were at work, and the noxious gases drawn off after a blast, with the blowers used as exhaust fans

An average of 100 holes were drilled for a 6-foot shot in the full-face tun-nel. Atlas and Hercules powder, 40 per cent strength, was used with 14 delays. Appreximately 11½ cubic yards of rock was excavated per linear foot of tun-nel. After the shot when the big fans

removed the fumes, a Lamb air mover also helped to freshen the air in the shaft, particularly on humid or foggy days. Then the mucking began. A pair of Eimco 21 air-operated

RockerShovels worked abreast at the heading on the mucking operations. They ran on 3-foot-gage tracks that were also 3 feet apart. The drill jumbo moved along on the inside rail of each track, which was laid out with a double switch and crossover on each side of the shaft. The ½-yard mucking ma-chines loaded the rock into 2-yard dump bodies mounted on mine flatcars that were pulled by Goodman 6-ton electric locomotives. They were powered by 48-volt storage batteries.

A horizontal overhead cherry-picker, powered by an Ingersoll-Rand tugger hoist, switched cars at the heading. The tugger held a section of I-beam that had a sling at each end for lifting a car. Thus when an empty came in on one track, it was picked up and set down on the parallel track while the locomotive removed the car that had just been

struction men know it.

loaded by the mucker. The tugger itself rolled along another I-beam that had been secured to the arch-supporting

Supporting Steel

Cars were moved out to the bottom of the shaft where the boxes were raised to the surface by a Unit 1020-A crawler crane that was stationed along-side the hole. The crane was equipped with a 35-foot boom and Roebling with a 33-100t buom and rocening 34-inch nonrotating cable so that the boxes or buckets would not spin around on the way up. Material was hauled away in dump trucks, of which there were four Ford F-8's on the job, and upseted in a special area at 5th Street and wasted in a spoil area at 5th Street and Roosevelt Avenue, a 20-minute roundtrip haul from the job site.

Following the blast, and in pace with the mucking, came the steel setting, for the tunnel was supported through-out by Bethlehem Steel Co. ribs and liner plates. The ribs, or uprights, were 6-inch 20-pound H-beams, set 21 feet 6 inches apart or opposite to each other

on centers, and spaced longitudinally according to the condition of the rock. Average spacing was 48 inches, with the ribs supported on 10 x 12 x \(\frac{3}{4} \)-inch-thick foot plates. Fanning out overhead to cover 120 degrees of arch were 1/a-inch liner plates supported by the ribs, to protect against spalling rock.

Over nearly all the job the steel came in two segments that were fitted together at the top to form a pair of ribs. For a short section at the west end of the tunnel, the steel was divided into four segments, a break occurring at the spring line. This was done when about 500 feet of the tunnel arch was first benched out, and the steel ribs for the arch were supported on sleepers along the sides. Then as the remainder of the heading was excavated, the load was transferred to the upright members.

After the steel was set, drilling was resumed for the next round followed by the shooting and mucking as before. All supporting steel was left in place and embedded in the concrete lining of

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Pneumatic Placer Lines Sewer Tunnel

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the tunnel. Openings behind the steel back to the neat lines of the excavation were later filled with grout. In some locations, because of overbreak, the apertures to be filled in had widths up to 45 inches. Grout holes 2 inches in diameter were drilled about every 35 feet into the roof of the tunnel.

Concrete Lining

Transit-mix concrete for the 18-inch tunnel lining came from a local supplier —Liberty Ready-Mix Concrete Co.— and was delivered to the site as needed in six 5-yard truck mixers. Two drop holes were drilled from the street through 26 feet of rock into the roof of the tunnel, each at the approximate midpoint of the east and west halves of the project. The holes were lined with 8-inch cast-iron pipe, and capped off at the street level for opening only when concrete was to be placed.

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With the two drop holes and the shaft, concrete was thus delivered to the job at three locations about equal distances apart. The 2,500-psi concrete was dumped into the drop holes, and then passed through elephant-trunk pipe from the roof of the tunnel into -yard hoppers set up on the tunnel floor. From the hopper the concrete was discharged continuously into the Worthington Pneumatic Placers that "blew" it through a 6-inch pipe as far as 750 feet. On these long pours, 2,300 cfm of air was available, but air re-quirements decreased at the rate of about 100 cfm for each time the pipe. line was shortened by 100 feet.

The invert was placed first using a fairly stiff mix, and no forms were required. After the screeding was done by hand, the surface was vacuum-processed with four mats at a time, each measuring 2 x 4 feet. A Pennsylvania 7-AT vacuum pump on the vacuum machine removed the surface water from the 11-foot-wide invert leaving a denser concrete. Finishers then smoothed off any irregularities with their trowels. Air-operated I-R internal vibrators were used in the placing of the concrete.

Steel Forms

Above the invert, concrete was placed in the sides and arch of the tunnel with Blaw-Knox steel forms. Two 40-foot sections were used, so that while one was in operation the other was being shifted to another location. The form rode on rails and was divided into five segments. It was raised or lowered by four Blackhawk hydraulic jacks, with two other jacks on each side to control the wings. Forms were well oiled before any concrete was placed.

A triangular-shaped frame riding or a flatcar carried the concrete pipe up to the top of the form where the mix was discharged at the far end. As the placing of the concrete advanced, a 10foot length of pipe was removed at the foot length of pipe was read the entire has been end near the drop hole, and the entire has been line was pulled back 10 feet by an I-R try Co., t feature air tugger. After a section was poured and the concrete had hardened, the form was easily collapsed and moved to a new section.

The tunnel was fairly dry most of the time. A 5-inch vitrified-clay subdrain was laid under the concrete, and there was also a 2-inch waste-water line running back to the shaft. There the water was collected in a sump and raised to the surface by a Marlow 3-inch electric pump. Two other electric-driven pumps-a LaBour 2-inch and a Jaeger 1½-inch—were also on hand for use when necessary. Light and power into the shaft and tunnel were taken off 220-volt line of the Philadelphia Electric Co.

Quantities and Personnel

Tunnel excavation totaled 27,000 yards, while 9,100 yards was taken from the open-cut section. Tunnel lin-ing required 10,500 yards of concrete and the open cut accounted for 1,500 yards in the box section. The latter also used 120 tons of reinforcing steel

Joseph Lombardi & Sons, genera contractor, had a maximum force of 9 on the project at one time, working single 8-hour shift. Key personnel included Dominic J. Lombardi, Projec Manager; Joseph P. Lombardi, Jr., Olfice Manager; Hugh Bingham, Superin tendent; George Ferris, Drilling Foreman; Sam Rogers, Mucking Foreman

and Henry Jafolla, Master Mechani For the City of Philadelphia, Depart ment of Public Works, Thomas Buck ley is Director, with A. Zane Hoffma Chief of Bureau, and Samuel S. Baxte Acting Chief Engineer. Felix Zalinsk Construction Engineer, supervised the field operations, with David Moss an Pete Simetti as Engineer-Inspectors the job site.

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one-twelfth the size of the bulldozer but it's built to It's only real Cat withstand that sand-pile punishment.

New Toy Bulldozer

Children engaged in building backard roads and excavating sand piles can now use a scale model of the Caterpillar bulldozer for some of their heavy earth-moving. The toy bulldozer is exactly one-twelfth the size of the Cat and weighs 5 pounds. It is 151/8 nches long.

The only parts of the toy which are 10t 18-gage steel are the 3-position novable blade and the model engine movane place and the model engine. The blade is 16-gage steel and the engine is specially prepared plastic. To give the toy as much strength as possible, all joints are spot-welded. Tenite, a tough composition designed to withstand the punishment of weather and meal hands is used for the model. mall hands, is used for the movable reads.

Further information may be secured from the Charles W. Doepke Mfg. Co., Blue Ash Road and Emerald Ave., Rossmoyne, Ohio. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 402.

Self-Priming Pump

A new 3-inch self-priming centrifat the spanning centrification and the spanning centrification of the spanning centrification of the spanning centrification as been introduced by Ohler Machinery Co., P. O. Box 687, Waterloo, Iowa. It features the company's Twin Prime centrification of the company of the spanning desired of t method of priming designed to elimihate all priming valves and easily clogged jets. The company claims that o recirculation occurs while the pump

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The pump is powered by a Wisconsin r Briggs & Stratton engine and is fur-ished on steel or rubber-tired wheels. ther features claimed include an open ash-type impeller; grease-lubricated buble shaft seal; replaceable check alve; and flanged inlet and outlet con-

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Dual-volute construction features the Ohler 3-inch self-priming centrifugal pump.

New Fork-Lift Trucks

New 6,000-pound-capacity fork-lift trucks, the gasoline-powered Model FT-60-24 and diesel-powered FTD60-24, have been brought out by The Buda Co., Harvey, Ill. They are rated at a 24-inch load center and are available with a choice of two gasoline or two diesel

Model FT60-24 is powered by a Buda 73½-hp 6-cylinder gasoline engine and is available with a Buda 4-cylinder 53½-hp gasoline engine as optional equipment. A 6-cylinder Buda diesel engine with a 230-cubic-inch displacement is standard for Model FTD60-24, with an optional 4-cylinder 182-cubicinch-displacement diesel engine.

Features of the fork trucks include



Buda's new 6,000-pound capacity forklift truck is available in gasoline diesel-powered models.

accessibility of all parts for service and maintenance; complete complement of electrical gages on the full front-vision instrument panel; automotive-type

single-lever gearshift mounted on the steering column; and a quick-change heavy-duty industrial-type clutch. A 72, 84, 108, 114, or 120-inch lift is available as standard on either the diesel or gasoline-powered trucks.

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Ginther Joins Wood Mfg. Co.

A. W. Ginther has taken on the job of General Sales Manager of the Wood Mfg. Co., North Hollywood, Calif., man-ufacturer of road-building equipment. Mr. Ginther has had 15 years' experience with Harnischfeger Corp., and was a pioneer in the building of machinery for the construction of low-cost mixed-in-place roads.





Iron-Pipe Scaffold

An iron-pipe scaffold that can be erected to any height or width without nuts, bolts, braces, or pins, is produced by the Jagiel Mfg. Co., Swanton, Ohio.

The Kwik Skaf has two working parts—a truss frame and a tie frame. It is made in 5-foot sections and is said to be easy to transport and store. The manufacturer points out that a small pickup truck can transport enough frames for a tower 50 feet high or a scaffold 8 feet high and 35 feet long.

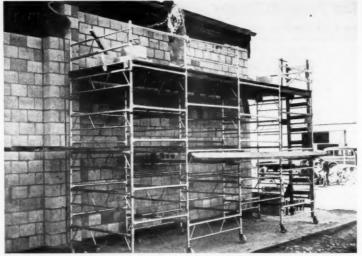
Feature of the Kwik Skaf is that nothing can shear. The company points out that if the ground under the base plate should give, the scaffold will bind, as there are no bolts to shear off. This binding is said to make the scaffold too tight to pry apart until the base is brought up level. With casters, the entire section of scaffolding can be moved to fit work requirements. The scaffold is designed to hold 270 pounds per square foot.

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Photogrammetry Association Elects Bartlett Chairman

The Association of Professional Photogrammetrists, Washington, D. C., a group of photogrammetric-engineering companies, has selected Ford Bartlett, President of Lockwood, Kessler & Bartlett, Inc., Great Neck, N. Y., as its Chairman. He succeeds Virgil Kauffman, President of Aero Service Corp. Philadelphia, Pa., who was the chief organizer of the Association and Chairman for the first 16 months of its exis-tence. Mr. Bartlett is Vice President of the American Society of Photogrammetry and active in the American Society of Civil Engineers. His firm has completed many engineering projects in this country and abroad and is at the moment engaged in locating and engineering a pipeline across the major part of Canada.

The Association of Professional Photogrammetrists was organized on March 1, 1951, with the following declared objectives: (1) to conduct appropriate public relations toward an increased appreciation of photogrammetry; (2) to stabilize employment in the industry; (3) to create professional specifications in cooperation with map



The Kwik Skaf iron-pipe scaffolding is easy to erect as it has only two movable parts and no units, bolts, or braces. It is made in 5 foot sections. The scaffold shown here is 20 feet long and 10 feet high

users; and (4) to evolve ethical standards for private photogrammetrists.

ards for private photogrammetrists, Fowler W. Barker is Secretary of the Association, and its address is 17 Du. Pont Circle, Washington 6, D. C.

Floor-Resurfacing Method

A booklet describing a method of resurfacing floors is available from Kalman Floor Co., Inc., 110 E. 42nd St. New York 17, N. Y. It shows how the underslab is prepared, the mix controlled, and the topping applied.

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Contractors Beware! Protect Your Checks

Fraud Involving Raised Checks and Counterfeit Money Shows
A Marked Increase; FBI Recommendations

By LYNE S. METCALFE

• THE construction business and those engaged in it have suffered losses from the activities of criminals. According to FBI reports, nearly 2,000,000 arrests are made in this country every year for robbery, burglary, larceny, theft, forgery, check raising, and counterfeiting. Of these, it is said, approximately one-third are crimes against business firms, the majority of which involve small business firms in which construction people figure prominently. So that with thousands of builders operating in the United States, the number of crimes perpetrated against them each year runs into the tens of thousands—and the money losses into millions of dollars.

The crime showing the most impressive increase is fraud involving payment of money, and especially of checks. Though a good many builders are much more apprehensive concerning possible loss of money (or worse) through burglary and holdup, they are under a daily threat as counterfeit victims or victims of the raised check.

In fact, as pointed out in recent banking reports, checks which building firms issue in the course of business are so often "raised" by accomplished forgers and people handy with pen and knife that forgery is becoming one of the contractor's greatest sources of loss.

Steady increase in the number of checks raised has prompted interested organizations—including banking and financial groups—to issue warnings to the construction field and to suggest ways by which these losses may be reduced.

Raised Checks

In the case of raised checks it has been pointed out that though 90 per cent of all large construction firms now protect their checks with a modern protection system, the number of smaller ones using such protection is less than 15 per cent. Yet for forty years various check-protection systems have been available to business, have been used widely, and have resulted in a high degree of protection—so high that it is possible today to get a free insurance policy against such loss with each new protector.

Said Ewald Mayer of the Safeguard Organization, national authority on the subject of check protection, to this writer:

"A maxim of the common law in a check-raising situation makes the builder responsible in case of negligence. Many small-business men forget this.

"It simply means that if, by any act of negligence on the part of the check drawer (as, for instance, by so carelessly writing the check as to render it easily open to material alteration), the drawer has furnished the opportunity for the fraud which has deceived the bank, he must suffer for his carelessness by bearing the loss himself. Numerous court decisions have upheld this principle, and for that reason, any day a firm check may be raised from, say, \$4.80 to \$480.00 or even \$48,000.00 with a total loss to the drawer.

"Checkwriters today are designed to make it practically impossible to raise a check. Over the past forty years improvements have been significant. They have been brought well within the reach of the smallest business man. In fact, the smaller his business is, the less

is it able to stand a serious loss through the raising of a check."

Counterfeiting

Now, with respect to counterfeiting, another cause of cash losses in the construction trade: too few firms take steps to protect themselves and their business against this form of crime. For suggested reading on this topic, see "Checks, Their Use and Protection", published by M. D. Cotanno, Lansdale, Pa. The FBI has repeatedly cautioned business men not only to protect their checks, but also to understand the ways of counterfeiters. Every contractor should memorize these suggestions made by the FBI about checks:

1. In case of doubt do not give cash

1. In case of doubt do not give cash or merchandise or exchange checks in return for a check given you. Deposit it in your bank first and allow sufficient time for it to reach the bank on which it is drawn. This will go a great way in reducing your risk.

2. Look for use of different inks in either the payee name or the signature.

 Stay clear of torn and pasted-up checks; they may be masterpieces of a genuine signature pasted to a forged check.

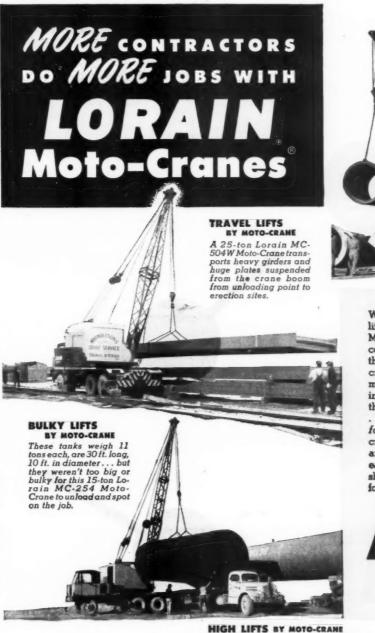
 Question a corrected check even if such correction concerns only the smallest detail; it may be an altered or erased check.

5. Beware of unusual checks; only a few checks are made out to the bearer these days. Very few checks show any endorsement except bank stamps.

Question faded-looking checks;
 they may have been washed off and retinted.

7. Turn the check over to see if perforations or embossing by checkwriter look doubled up or unclear. Attempts at alteration sometimes show up clearer

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Contractors Beware! Protect Your Checks

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in the back than on the face.

8. Question checks showing a difference in the amount written in and the amount printed by the checkwriter.

As for money—know your money! Study the bills you receive, so as to become familiar with them, especially the portraits.

Compare a suspected bill with a genuine one of the same type and denomination. Especially note the portrait, since the portrait in a counterfeit is usually dull, smudgy, unnaturally white, or scratchy. The oval background is dark, lines are irregular and broken, and the portrait merges into the background.

Notice the paper, too. Counterfeit paper generally has no silk threads, but these may be imitated by very small red and blue ink lines. Genuine bills are printed on distinctive paper in



Check protection should be a construction-office routine. Here a clerk uses a Safeguard checkwriter.

which very small red and blue silk threads are scattered. The silk threads are not always noticeable on bills that are badly soiled or worn.

Rubbing a bill on a piece of paper will not prove it is genuine or counterfeit; ink can be rubbed from good bills as well as from bad ones. The U. S. Mint uses the best type of ink and still has not found one which cannot be rubbed off. (Incidentally, the protection of checks by color imprinting of paper or so-called safety paper is not foolproof, because skilled forgers can tamper with the coloring and restore it in many cases where traces of such tampering appear.)

Finally, if you are still in doubt, consult an experienced money-handler or police officer to make sure whether a bill is genuine or counterfeit.

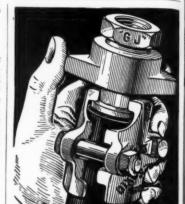
New Book on Prestressing

A new book covering the basic methods of analysis on prestressed concrete is published by McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. "Prestressed Concrete Structures" by A. E. Komendant presents practical information on both the design and construction of prestressed continuous beams, prestressed trussed

girders, and prestressed shells.

The first chapter covers general principles, systems, and economic considerations. Chapter two treats the physical properties of steel and concrete. Basic prestress theory, design methods, and illustrative problems comprise the third chapter. Chapter 4 describes and illustrates a number of representative prestressed structures.

The book has 260 pages and is priced at \$6.00.



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A new line of shelves designed to hold as much as one-ton loads has been announced by Equipto, a division of Aurora Equipment Co., Aurora, Ill. Sides and center of the Iron-Grip specially reinforced and shelves are equipped with carbon angle irons 1 x 1 inch high and ½ inch thick. Front and rear have U-shaped reinforcing chan-

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Marked Mason Line

An elastic marked mason line for laying out joints, bond, and openings is available from Tru-Line Co., 615 Flynn Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa. Tru-Line is made of yellow Nylon cord and has blue and red waterproof markings. It is wound on a flat plastic block in 100foot units. Both standard and modular

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New Sander-Polisher

A new disk sander and polisher is available from Millers Falls Co., Hatch and Taylor Sts., Greenfield, Mass. It can be used with many rotary accessories such as drills, grinding wheels, etc., and is equipped with a special orbital attachment for fine finishing.

The No. 966 can be used for cleaning, finishing, and polishing almost any sur-face or material—wood, metal, plastic, etc. For rotary operation, it is furnished with a 6-inch flexible rubber pad, a 6-inch bonnet of lamb's wool, and three



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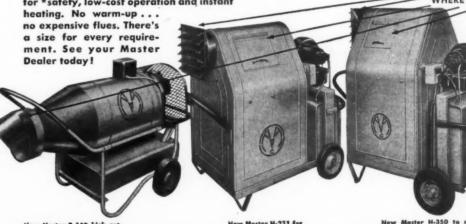
Universal Atlas Cement News

Auwell Fogarty, formerly Assistant District Sales Manager for the Indi-ana-Michigan territory of Universal Atlas Cement Co., New York, N. Y., has recently been appointed District Sales Manager of this territory in succession to Joseph R. Lair. Mr. Lair has retired after a career of more than 37 years with the company.

Mr. Fogarty joined Universal Atlas Cement in 1939. On discharge from the Navy in 1945 after three years of war service, he rejoined the company and has served in the metropolitan Chicago area as well as in the Indiana-Michigan territory.

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Terminal Building For Bradley Field

Concrete, Steel, and Masonry Structure Has Six Levels; Replaces Temporary One-Story Army-Type Frame Building

• THIS summer when the new \$2,000,-900 Terminal Building is completed at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn., the busy commercial airport serving Hartford, Conn., and Springfield, Mass., will rank second to none in facilities for air travelers. The new six-level structure of reinforced concrete, fireproofed structural steel, and masonry is one of the most modern buildings of its kind in the country. It is replacing a narrow one-story frame building constructed by the Army during World War II, that had long been inadequate for the number of passengers using the airport.

Just before the last war the State of Connecticut acquired the 1,200-acre site for Bradley Field, but soon after the start of hostilities the Army took it over for use as a fighter air base. At the end of the war it was turned back to the State, and is being converted into a major commercial airport. It is well located as to population centers, with Hartford 12 miles to the south and Springfield 13 miles to the north. The field has three 5,000-foot runways, and one is to be extended to 7,000 feet for instrument landings.

Located at the southern end of the airport, the new building is being constructed for the Connecticut Department of Aeronautics, with the State Public Works Department as the con-struction agency. The Federal Civil Aeronautics Administration is contributing \$500,000 to its cost, which is estimated at around \$2,000,000. W. Stuart Thompson and Phelps Barnum of New York City are the architects. The Associated Construction Co. of Hartford, Conn., is general contractor. Construction got under way in November, 1950, and is scheduled for completion this

Modern Building

summer.

At ground level, elevation 170, the Terminal Building has a 297-foot front bordering the apron of the field, and is 97 feet in depth. Passengers enter the building at the rear from a roadway that encircles a parking area for 175 cars. A larger parking field is farther back. A 35-foot roadway curves up to the first-floor level, or passenger floor, at elevation 184.16. Traffic ramps and the elevated portion of the roadway are 500 feet long.

Passengers unload at this level, and their baggage is chuted down to the ground floor, elevation 171.8, where loading ramps transfer it to the planes. truck road, with access to the



Stanley 6-inch portable saw makes beam sides for the formwork.

ground floor, goes under the passenger roadway. At the west end of the building there is a lower level where the boiler room and maintenance shop are located; the east portion is not excavated for a basement.

Besides the baggage-handling facilities, the ground floor also has quarters for air-mail and express shipments. Ticket counters and public waiting rooms are above that, on the passenger level, which also has a large spectator deck for those watching the movements of the planes. On the next higher



A front view of the Terminal Building under construction at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn. The Associated Construction Co., Hartford, is the general contractor.

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level or second floor, elevation 197.7. is a restaurant seating 265 persons, with a glassed-in side overlooking the field. Offices and service facilities of the CAA are on the third-floor level, while radio and air-conditioning equipment is

in a penthouse above that.

The control tower reaches upward from the penthouse level, with its to 86 feet above the ground floor. The building was planned to streamling

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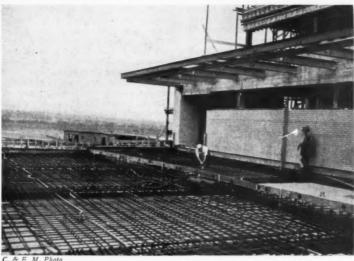
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passenger flow on and off the field, and to permit the easy movement of baggage, mail, and express.

Concrete and Steel

The Associated Construction Co., general contractor, performed all the masonry, carpentry, and concrete work on the job. A. E. Williams Co. of Hartford handled the grading for the site and access roads. Most of the 7,000 yards of excavation that was involved went into the roadways. Tractor-scraper units did the dirt-moving. Soil in this area is chiefly sand, graded from coarse to fine, and made a good foundation for the spread footings on which the steel columns are supported.

Concrete footings are of various shapes and sizes, ranging up to a 13 x 18 x 3½-foot slab in the boiler-room area. Transit-mix concrete for the job needs came from two sources—General Transit-Mix Concrete of Hartford, and the Roncare Concrete Co. of Windsor Locks. In the building itself, 2,500-psi concrete was used, while the concrete



Here is the reinforcing steel for an upper roadway slab. It is being set in a double mat. The Scherer Steel Co., Hartford, subbed this item.

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for the approach roadway was designed with a strength of 3,750 psi at 28 days. For the 12-inch foundation walls and the various other formwork on the project, the contractor used \(^4x\)-inch plywood 4 x 8-foot panels, backed by 2 x 4 studs and double 2 x 4 wales held by Richmond ties. Two DeWalt table saws and several Stanley and Skilk. Aw portable saws were used in the formwork.

The Scherer Steel Co. of Hartford subbed the reinforcing item, and the shortage of rods was probably the major problem on the job. Concrete was chuted directly into the forms on the lower pours, while for the higher levels a 75-foot tower with a platform hoist was erected. A Clyde two-drum hoist was erected. A Clyde two-drum hoist operated the platform. Concrete was then distributed by either a Moto-Bug or Jackson buggies. In building the upper roadway, two P&H ¾-yard truck cran-s lifted concrete buckets to the forms.

Superstructure

Concrete totaled 6,000 cubic yards, while the reinforcing and structural-steel items were each about 500 tons. City Iron Works, Inc., of Hartford fabricated and erected the structural steel, the members being placed by a crane having a 110-foot boom. Lower sections of columns in the boiler-room area are 14-inch WF members. These decrease in size with the height of the building. The White Plains Iron Works of Peekskill, N.Y., had the miscellaneous iron and steel item in the contract, including stairways, railings, angle guards, etc. Besides the stairways, the building also has both a passenger and a freight elevator.

Columns are fireproofed with masonry, either brick or cinder block, while the floor beams are encased in concrete, a minimum of 2 inches on all sides. Forms for these pours were hung by wire from the beams themselves. Thickest structural slab on the job is for the upper roadway where the concrete varies in depth from 8 to 11½ inches, and contains a double mat of reinforcing. The adjoining beam at the side of the building is of reinforced concrete, 3 feet in depth.

Structural floor slabs are 4-inch RC with a rough finish, topped by 3-inch Porete lightweight fill and a 1-inch surface course. The topping consists of one part cement, one part sand, and two parts aggregate passing the %-inch sieve. A Turn-a-Trowel was used on the floor finishing along with hand work. Floor fills in parts of the building have various tile or terrazzo surfaces.

Masonry Work

In general the walls consist of 4-inch face brick backed with 8-inch cinder-(Concluded on next page)



A mason installs Larson waterproofed paper in the core of an exterior wall of the Terminal Building. Porm preparation goes on at the level above.

Terminal Building For Bradley Field

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concrete blocks, and containing preformed membrane waterproofing. The Hanley Brick Co. of Summerville, Pa., supplied the 230,000 pieces of light-colored face brick and the 35,000 pieces of glazed tile. Common brick, totaling 160,000 pieces, was used in the chimney, boiler-room walls, and basement partitions, and was supplied by the Pola Co. of Windsor Locks, Conn. The 80,000 pieces of cinder-block backing came from the Hartford Concrete Units Co. A Clipper and a Champion saw were used in cutting the masonry, and the bricklayers worked from wood scaffolds.

The Larson system of preformed unit waterproofing was installed within the core of all exterior walls. A fabric flashing of impregnated 4-ounce cotton went between the cinder block and the veneer brickwork, lapping each

layer and covering the entire wall area right up to the header course. The impregnation consists of a refined asphalt in which asbestos fibers are incorporated. This item was done by the Brisk Waterproofing Co. of New York City. Exterior walls also have a 2-inch clay tile furring.

Roofs for the passenger concourse and the canopy over the roadway consist of precast-concrete planks furnished by the Art Cement Products Co. of Springfield, Mass. Planks are 2¾ inches thick, tongue-and-groove construction. Other areas are poured slabs covered with 4-ply 20-year-bond roofing material. Ceilings are acoustic tile. Thermopane glass is installed in the front of the building for the waiting-room and dining areas and control tower.

Personnel

An average force of 150 was employed in the construction of the new Terminal Building. Richard J. Hill was Superintendent for The Associated

Construction Co. of Hartford. Other personnel were: Engineer, Phillip Black; Clerk of the Works, Frank Berti; Carpentry Foremen, Carl Ackerman and Ernest McKay; Bricklayer Foreman, Louis Bonianto; Labor Foreman, Alexander Garewski.

George Rice was Inspector on the project for the Connecticut Department of Public Works. The State Aeronautics Commission is headed by Francis S. Murphy, Chairman. Bradley Field is used by American, Eastern, Northeastern, and United Air Lines.

A Medium-Duty Line Of Hoists and Bodies

A line of bodies and hoists for trucks of 1½, 2, and 2½-ton size is manufactured by Converto Mfg. Co., Third and Green Sts., Cambridge City, Ind. The hoists are available in two styles: a double-arm type for extreme loads, and a direct-lift type for average loads. Both hoists elevate the truck body to a



Converto hoists and bodies are now available for medium-duty trucks of 1½, 2, and 2½ tons. Dumping angle is a full 60 degrees.

full 60-degree dumping angle in a matter of seconds, the company claims.

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As for the PicUPac truck bodie, Converto has added 8-gage steel on the floor for additional strength and established 6½ feet as standard body width

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The new Branch Manager of the Chicago, Ill., office of Timber Engineering Co., Washington, D. C., is Gordon T. O'Neill, a structural engineer. Mr. O'Neill is in charge of all timber-connector sales and timber-engineering consultation services which are available through the Chicago office to architects, engineers, and builders in that area. Teco is an affiliate of National Lumber Manufacturers Association, Washington, D. C.

Robert J. Hoyle, Jr., mechanical engineer and forester, joined the research staff of Teco's laboratory in Washington, D. C., last June. His first assignment there is the design of new glue-

laminated products.

How to Select a Crusher

A guide for selecting the right type and size of crusher has been prepared by Pennsylvania Crusher Co., 1700 Liberty Trust Bldg., Philadelphia 7, Pa It points out that the first step is to know the material to be crushed by determining such factors as moisture content, abrasiveness, hardness, softness, cleavage, etc.

ness, cleavage, etc.

The handbook describes and illustrates the different crushing principles and methods for reducing the material to the size and shape required, and suggests the type of crusher to be used.

This literature may be obtained from the company, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 455.

New Sales Mgr. for Heil Co.

Paul Miller, formerly Washington, D. C., Sales Manager for The Heil Co, manufacturer of road machinery, has advanced to the position of Road Machinery Division Sales Manager at the home office in Milwaukee, Wis. A member of the company since 1937, Mr. Miller replaces his brother, Robert Miller, who resigned to become Sales Manager of Innes Equipment, Ltd. Toronto distributor for Heil.

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How U. S. Rubber belt engineers cut installation costs







In a new concrete mix plant, original plans called for the installation of a 5-ply, 36 oz. duck conveyor belt to handle the aggregates. But United States Rubber Company engineers pointed out that their 4-ply, 42 oz. duck belt would not only cost less, but would be more flexible crosswise to trough, would train more easily and provide high-tensile strength as well. This 1,275-foot, 4-ply U.S. Giant Conveyor Belt was installed. It travels 300' per minute and delivers 294 tons per hour.

This is another instance of why it pays to consult "U.S." engineers before going ahead on a conveyor belt problem. Remember that they are backed by a wealth of experience and vast research facilities. Finally, they will work with your engineers and with the designers of conveyor equipment—a 3-Way Engineering teamwork that always pays off in higher output at lower cost. Write to

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The Copyfiex 14 has a 20-inch copying width and needs no masters, inks, tray developing, special lighting, etc.

New Copying Machine

An automatic machine designed to make error-proof, smudge-proof, positive copies of practically anything typed, written, printed, or drawn is announced by Charles Bruning Co., Inc., 125 North St., Teterboro, N. J. The Copyflex 14 has a 20-inch copying width, is said to be practically sound-less, and needs no masters, inks, tray developing, special lighting, exhaust ducts, or installation. It takes up less than a square yard of floor space and can be rolled on its casters to any work site where it requires only a connection to a standard 115-volt 60-cycle ac power circuit. The Copyflex 14 is fin-ished in soft tones of neutral gray.

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Simplex Personnel Changes

There has been a reorganization in the sales staff of Templeton, Kenly & Co., Chicago, Ill., manufacturer of Simplex jacks. The new arrangement is as

Phillip H. McManus, formerly General Sales Manager, is now Vice President in Charge of Sales; he will also travel in the far-western territory. William H. Zepp, a new recruit, will assist Mr. McManus in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, and Wisconsin. N. L. Montgomery is Manager of Mining Sales in southern Indiana, southern Ohio, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and

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Virginia. A new salesman, Richard S. Bowers, will assist him. William D. Boldt, South Eastern Division Sales Manager, takes over the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina. He makes his headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. Arthur C. Templeton, with headquarters in Dallas, Texas, covers the states of Oklahoma and Texas.

Data on Tractor Tools

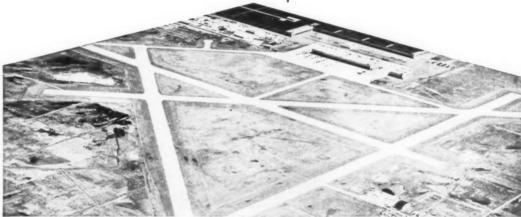
A 16-page brochure covering Hyster attachments for Caterpillar tractors is available from Hyster Co., 2902 N. E. Clackamas St., Portland 8, Oreg. Writ-ten in cartoon style and printed in four colors, it shows the Hystaway excavator-crane, shovel, backhoe, dragline, as well as winches, a tractor donkey, and a yarder in use on construction and logging jobs.

This literature may be obtained from the company, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 470.



Ballinger Paving Co., Greenville, S. C., contractor on a section of the U. S. 41 bypass around Atlanta, Ga., saves labor with a Hughes-Keenan swing crane mounted on an I-H TD-14A crawler. Here the crane pulls a 10½-foot drag log mounted on rails to bring the subbase to final grade—only a one-man job.

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Hats Off to Safety-Hats On for the Job!

It's a far cry from the knight in shining armor to the workman of today in his less glamorous overalls. But in the matter of helmets the distance is not so great, says C. V. Peterson, District Safety Engineer for the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad. As a means of protecting the head from injury, a hard hat is still the thing, as many soldiers in both World Wars would testify. But it is only in comparatively recent times that the lumber-jack and other workers on civilian projects have discarded their soft hats. Lumberjacks, miners, railroad workers, and all kinds of construction men who are exposed to the danger of falling or flying objects now wear safety helmets as a matter of routine, and in some states these helmets are obligatory for those engaged in certain occupations.

The safety helmets vary, Mr. Peterson points out. Some are of lightweight metals, some of specially prepared spun glass, and others of various compositions which make them, according to the need of the wearer, waterproof, shockproof, oil or heat-resistant. One type, in general use on The Milwaukee Road, according to Mr. Peterson, is made of a strong molded composition, rounded to deflect an object striking it from almost any angle. Its light weight makes it comfortable, and as it 'floats' in a hammock-like device which fits over the head, the cutting force of a falling object is not only broken, but the shock of the blow is lessened. The hammock also creates a space between the wearer's head and his hat-result, free circulation of air in summer and room for insertion of a winter liner in cold weather.

Superintendents on construction jobs are finding more and more that the best insurance against head injuries is a properly fitted hard hat. It is a simple precaution to take for so important an objective.

Two Color Coatings

Two color coatings for beautifying bituminous pavements and waterproofing masonry surfaces are offered by Troyer Driveway Service, 2157 S. Park Ave., Buffalo 20, N. Y. Decora is an asphalt emulsion that the company claims will not stain from dirt, smoke, or dust. Decorlatex has a latex base



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Workmen building a tunnel on the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad wear safety hats to protect their heads from falling rocks.

and is said to be resistant to salts, gasoline, and many acids.

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Cartoon Booklet Explains Proper Grader Maintenance

The importance of good equipment maintenance is stressed in a new easy-to-read cartoon booklet on Caterpillar motor graders. "Maintenance Guide" presents in story-book form the things every operator and owner should know about servicing his grader.

The booklet shows a Cat dealer giving a new owner some maintenance hints with the aid of slides. The blade is given first attention, followed by wheels, clutch, cooling system, air intake, fuel, and all other important points of good grader maintenance.

points of good grader maintenance.
This literature may be obtained from
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The Barber-Greene Mixall provides high-type hot bituminous mixes for highway maintenance and small paving jobs. It can also mix all types of stabilized materials for base patching, as well as portland-cement concrete.

Portable Unit Makes Hot Bituminous Mixes

Patching with high-type hot bituminous mixes is now possible with a new portable dryer-mixer offered by Barber-Greene Co., Aurora, Ill. The Mixall is mounted on a 2-wheel pneumatic-tired chassis and can operate hitched or detached from the truck.

A power-operated skip 14 inches above ground receives aggregate and then discharges it into a rotary drying drum. The particles are lifted by the drum and drop through a blast of hot gas and flame generated by an oil burner. The heat dries the aggregate and is exhausted through twin stacks. The drying cycle is adjustable.

From the drum, the heated, dried aggregate is chuted into a twin-shaft pugmill where the particles are coated. Drying and mixing can be operated separately or in cycles of equal duration. At the end of the cycle, the entire bottom of the pugmill opens, discharging the 300-pound batch into the patching area. Smaller quantities may be dumped into wheelbarrows.

The company claims the unit can produce 5 tons of hot-mix per hour and 10 tons of cold-mix per hour, and that it can mix concrete, including low-slump mixes. The dryer is used to thaw as well as dry frozen aggregates.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 421.

Tractor-Wheel Puller

A new chain puller for tractor wheels is announced by Owatonna Tool Co., 381 Cedar St., Owatonna, Minn. It is said to simplify adjustment of tractor rear wheels to the desired row width

rear wheels to the desired row width. The puller has self-centering hooks with a screw adjustment which is said to give a straight even pull. It is equipped with two 3,720-pound chains, 3 feet long and % inch wide, with a grab hook on one end. A %-inch forcing screw provides adequate power to pull the toughest tractor wheel, the company says.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 415.



Self-centering hooks with screw adjustment are said to give this Owatenna Tool Co.'s tractor-wheel puller a straight even pull.

ASTM Elects New Officers

At its 50th Anniversary Meeting in New York City last June, the American Society for Testing Materials elected officers for the ensuing year. They are: President (one-year term), Dr. Harold Lee Maxwell, Supervisor of Mechanical Engineering Consultants, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del.; Vice President (two-year term), Norman L. Mochel, Manager, Metallurgical Engineering, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Philadelphia, Pa. Members of the Board of Directors (three-year terms) are: George R. Gohn, Supervisor, Creep and Fatigue Laboratories, Bell Telephone Laboratories, New York, N. Y.; William H. Lutz, Technical

Director, Pratt & Lambert, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y.; Howard K. Nason, Research Director, Organic Chemicals Division, Monsanto Chemical Co., St. Louis, Mo.; Adolph O. Schaefer, Vice President in Charge of Engineering and Manufacturing, The Midvale Co., Nicetown, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Myron A. Swayze, Director of Research, Lone Star Cement Corp., New York, N. Y.

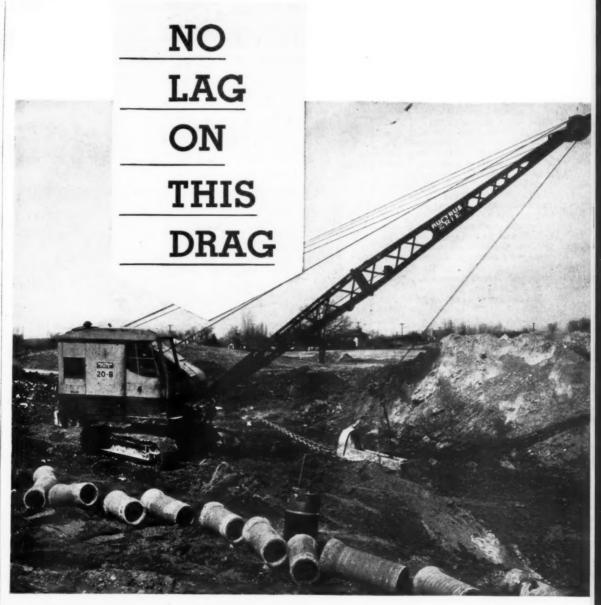
Floor and Roof Erection

A 4-page folder on how to erect Flexicore hollow floor and roof slabs is available from The Flexicore Co., Inc., 1932 E. Monument Ave., Dayton 1, Ohio. On-the-job photographs show every step of laying Flexicore slabsfrom delivery to finish caulking. Comprehensive instructions accompany the picture story.

This literature may be obtained from the company, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 467.

Mexican Highway Association Elects New Director General

Jose J. March is the newly elected Director General of the Asociacion Mexicana de Caminos, an organization affiliated with the International Road Federation. Mr. March succeeds Jose Rivera, who resigned recently to take over the post of General Manager of the Ferrocarril del Pacifico, S. A., formerly the Southern Pacific Railway,



In an 8-hour day this Bucyrus-Erie dragline handles about 1,600 yds. of sandy clay on a sewer trench job in St. Paul, Minn. Its 1-yd. bucket makes a swing every 19 seconds.

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Runway Is Extended For National Guard

Grading Contractor Speeds Up His Newest Rubber-Tired Scraper Rigs To Turn Out 15,000 Yards a Day

• BERRY FIELD, Municipal Airport for Nashville, Tenn., is getting a 7,000foot runway as a result of the National Guard Bureau's mobilization effort. The Bureau let a contract February of this year for a 1,700-foot extension to the north-south runway. McDowell & Mc-Dowell of Nashville holds the \$305,000 contract calling for a 1,000,000-cubicyard fill placement and 700 feet of run-

way paving.

Work started March 1 with 220 working days allowed for completion. This should be met easily, judging by the pace-setting speed of operations in the early stages of the work.

Fifty-Foot Fill

The work area is a deep depression at the north end of the runway, at the outer edge of the field. The ground slopes down away from the end of the existing runway and then rises again farther north. At the lowest point, the ground is 50 feet below the elevation of the runway pavement. The contract calls for placement of selected compacted fill for 1,000 feet beyond the end of the extended runway for an overrun area; crown width to be 550 feet

and sideslopes 7 to 1.

The McDowell outfit moved in with a good-sized fleet of scraper rigs to get the job done in short order. Borrow areas were available on both sides of the extension, so getting the dirt was not a problem and figure-8 loading and unloading was practical.

The equipment was virtually all Caterpillar—5 DW21 scrapers, 6 DW10 scrapers, 4 D6 pushers, 2 No. 12 gradand 4 D7s pulling the sheepsfoot rollers for compacting the fill. The fill was laid in 6-inch lifts, and compacted to better than 90 per cent Proctor by 4 to 6 passes of a Ferguson and a Blaw-Knox 2-drum sheepsfoot roller. Very little water had to be added to the sandy-clay soil for optimum compaction. As a matter of fact, spring rains were the big problem-often holding up job a week or more.

When the job was active, the dirt really flew. The McDowell crews some-times worked two 10-hour shifts when the weather permitted. Saturdays and Sundays were no exception. The production on this job was over 15,000 yards per day, working an average haul of 1,500 feet. The graders kept a hard tight surface on the haul areas at all times to get maximum speeds out of the scrapers. The Caterpillar DW21's, newly purchased by McDowell, are



Mobile radio telephones help Bob Mc Dowell (right) and his father Roscoe Sr., to keep in touch with the field.



One of McDowell's McDowell's new Caterpillar DW21 scrapers unloads fill areas on Berry Pield, Tenn. At right a Caterpillar D7 tractor pulls a 2-drum Perguson sheepsfoot roller.

powered by B337 diesels with 275-hp peak rating and move along at a 20-

All equipment got top servicing. Mc-

Dowell kept a mobile lubricating rig with Alemite pumps on the job. Minor repairs were made at the field shop. A 4,000-gallon diesel fuel tank set on a

rise alongside the haul road provided simple gravity-feed fueling.

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tension will be subbed out as soon as grading is completed. The pavement will be 150 feet wide. It will be 3 inches of plant-mixed asphalt on a 10-inch crushed-stone base and 10-inch gravel subbase. McDowell is replacing topsoil taken from the borrow pits over these areas and the unpaved fill areas. A bluegrass tuft sodding will follow.

Personnel

J. B. Register is General Superintendent for the McDowell outfit. L. E. Brockman is Project Engineer. Engineers for the Government on the project are Yokley & Waggoner, Nashville, Tenn.

McDowell & McDowell is a young firm. It was formed in 1946 when the three sons of Roscoe McDowell, Sr., came back from service. The boys, Roscoe, Jr., Charles, and Robert, had construction experience in service and prior to it. The company was set up as a partnership to do house excavation. They started out with a D2 Traxcavator and a couple of surplus Army trucks.

From this modest beginning they have grown into a first-class contracting outfit now doing \$2,500,000 worth of work. Which goes to prove an old adage—there's always room at the top.

A Low-Bed Trailer

A low-bed trailer with 10-ton capacity is made by Alfred Stauffer Machine Shop, Honey Brook, Pa. The A-10 has a bed width of 6 feet 4 inches and a bed length of 16 feet. It rides on four 7.50×18 rubber tires and is 14 inches from the ground.

14 inches from the ground.

The trailer can be towed by any rated vehicle with a pintle hook. The vehicle takes 40 per cent of the load and the trailer wheels 60 per cent. The four wheels are mounted on rocker arms to give a smooth ride over rough terrain. An 8-inch obstruction will raise the bed only 4 inches. The load is carried below the center of the wheels, providing a stable tow.

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The A-10 has a bed of 2-inch oak
planking. High trailer sides prevent



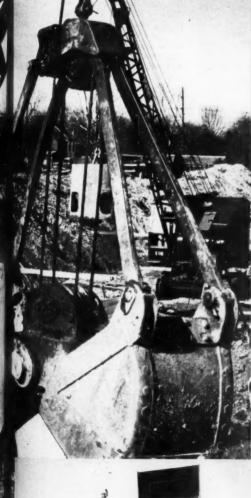
The towing vehicle and the Stauffer A-10 low-bed trailer split the load 40-60. The trailer wheels are mounted on rocker arms to give a smooth ride over rough terrain.

equipment from working off the platform. The body is all-welded, with bolts used only in the rocker arm. Only two men are required for operation, the company points out. The 14-inch height eliminates the need for a high bank or loading ramp.

Standard equipment includes vacuum hydraulic brakes, breakaway cables, and all necessary lighting. A 3 to 4½-ton and a 6-ton model are also made.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 16. Circle No. 426.

Repair Costs Down"





Sinclair lubricants keep this dump truck on the job

says JAMES D. MORRISSEY, Inc., of Philadelphia

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Timber Engineering Co., an affiliate of the National Lumber Manufacturers Association, hopes to encourage this trend by supplying free to colleges, on request, technical literature dealing with lumber. Last year the company sent out nearly 50,000 booklets giving data on its three major methods—the Teco connector system, the Lamella, and the glued laminated—as well as a variety of design and construction ideas. Augmenting the booklets are timber-joint display kits.

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Interested professors and others should apply to Timber Engineering Co., 1319 Eighteenth St., N. W., Washington, D. C., for information on these free booklets and display kits.

Low-Cost Canal Lining

A 69-page booklet has been put out by the Bureau of Reclamation, called "Canal Linings and Methods of Reducing Costs". It describes in nontechnical language what has been accomplished in the 5½ years since the Bureau initiated its lower-cost canal-lining program and how the changed spex have affected prices.

ed prices.

Nearly all linings now placed by the Bureau may be considered as "lower-cost", and since 1946 these include some 24,000,000 square yards in 611 miles of new and existing canals. The booklet estimates total annual savings due to lining of canals at \$2,269,000 in water conserved and maintenance reduced, and \$2,628,600 in increased land valuation and miscellaneous saving.

"Canal Linings and Methods of Reducing Costs" is available for 25 cents from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C., or from the Bureau of Reclamation's Supply Field Division, Code 841, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo.

Three-Arch Bridge Carries



California Division of Highways Photo



Design Problems Complicated By Arroyo, by Heavy Traffic, And by Old Bridge Which Had to Be Retained

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By RAY DAY

 LESS than a mile south of the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif., a bridge builder's dream is in the making. The freeway it will carry across a wel known arroyo consists of two divided 3-lane roadways, each 40 feet wide. It will replace the old Colorado Street Bridge built in 1912-13 by the City of Pasadena and Los Angeles County.

Usually, when a bridge designer approaches his structure, the bridge is somewhat secondary to the over-all project. In other words, he designs his bridge with an eye to the traffic and the connecting roads, seeking to achieve efficient traffic movement with the utmost economy.

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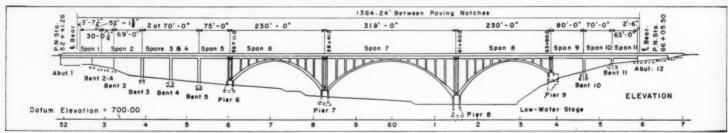
It was not so simple at Pasadena, and thereby hangs an unusual story of bridge designing.

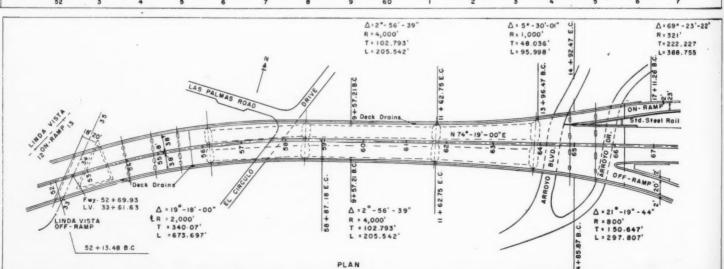
At Pasadena, designers had to span an arroyo 150 feet deep from bridge deck to streambed, and located only a few hundred feet from the main business section of a city of 100,000. Add to that the fact that when the old to Colorado Street Bridge was built, Los Angeles County had 15,000 registered motor vehicles; now it has 2,000,000.

Take account, also, of the close proximity of the old bridge, plus the additional headaches caused by curvature superelevation, excessive width, variation in width, asymmetry of arch ribs and the magnitude of the structure—and the project becomes almost a short course in modern bridge design.

Colorado Street, Pasadena's main business thoroughfare, carries the main traffic from Pasadena to Glendale and points beyond. Until the Arroyo Secon Parkway was built, it carried U. S. 66. The arroyo which the existing bridge crosses, on the western edge of the city, is ¼ to ½ mile wide, from 150 to 30 feet deep, and about 15 miles long. The watershed drained by this arroyo extends from the southwesterly San

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Freeway Over Deep Arroyo

Steel Underpinning Supports High Arch Ribs During Pours; Limited Work Space, Buried **Utilities Troublesome**

• IN the Long Beach office of Guy F. Atkinson Co., key officials waited for the opening of bids on a new 6-lane bridge, 1,364 feet long, across the deep arroyo at the west city limits of Pasadena, Calif. After considerable discussion of Atkinson's \$3,389,650 bid to the California Division of Highways, some-one said, "If we get the job, we'll sure come out of it knowing what they mean by 'construction problems'!"

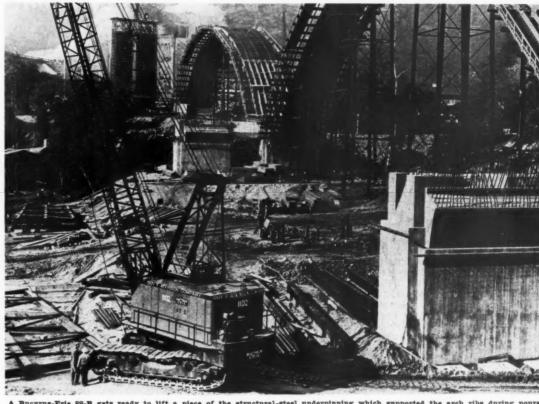
That official's prediction has been ac-

curate. From the point of view of Guy F. Atkinson Co., the construction firm whose bid was low for the project, the new Colorado Street Bridge is one of the most interesting and difficult bridge jobs it has ever tackled. Problems existed in practically every subdivision of the job, as well as in the organization and planning, and in many respects the construction of the bridge has called

forth the maximum in ingenuity.
'To begin at the beginning—right-ofway was so limited that working room was at a premium, and it was necessary for the company to get an area rezoned so it could buy the piece for establishment of an office and yard. Construction of a bridge whose parts reached up to 150 feet from the streambed presented a constant safety problem. The concrete arch ribs were gracefully designed, but the concrete weighed thousands of tons and had to be supported from underneath on falsework up to 110 feet in height. How these and many other puzzling obstacles were overcome makes the job especially interesting.

Buried Utilities Hinder Work

The area underneath the new bridge, for a distance of about 1,500 feet up and down the channel, is one of the last unimproved stretches of the stream, from a flood-control point of view. In years past, the Army Corps of Engineers and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District have tried to (Continued on next page)



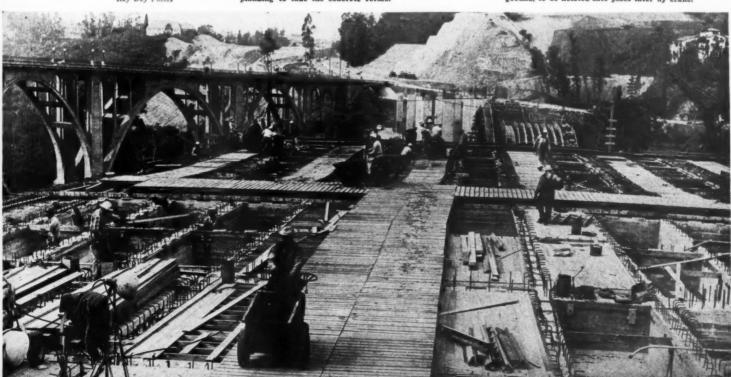
of the structural-steel underpinning which supported the arch ribs during pour



work high up on an arch rib of the bridge to install planking to take the concrete forms.



Meanwhile most of the steel reinforcing is prefabbed ground, to be hoisted into place later by crane.



on the 6-lane bridge deck by a feet of Gar-Bro Power Carts, traveling on runways, and vibrated by Viber electric units

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join this stretch to others improved with concrete channels, but legal waterrights decisions have always prevailed.

At one time the area was owned by the Government of Spain, and later on it was part of a land grant. In recent times, say 30 to 50 years ago, it was a part of a large rancho. During these recent times, water lines and other utilities were laid through the area, many of them unrecorded on any plans. Their presence has made construction a constant headache, especially during excavation. One wing-wall footing, dug along the west abutment, hit no less than 8 utilities lines not shown on any

Before any excavation could be done, the site had to be cleared of oak and eucalyptus trees, along with house foundations from residences formerly within the area. A small labor crew, using two McCulloch chain saws and axes, cut the trees down. The stumps were grubbed by a Caterpillar D8 tractor and its dozer blade. Some of the wood was given to whoever would haul it away, but much of the material had be clam-loaded into trucks and hauled out, since burning was not permitted on the site. Everybody who worked with land clearing soon got a bad case of poison oak; even Project Manager Bob Boyd managed to get mixed up with the noxious growth which infested the place.

A sizable block of excavation at the

east side of the bridge was necessary to make room for access ramps to the flared side of the structure. A Bucyrus-Erie power shovel with a 2½-yard Esco dipper loaded this material to a 10-unit fleet of rented dump trucks, which disposed of the dirt about 21/2 miles away.

The pier footings were considerably tougher to dig, because structure excavation here had to go down through mixed overburden and 2 feet into solid rock. The excavation hole at pier 8 was 30 feet deep, and had to be opened up on a slope to make room for twin pier blocks 18 x 32 feet in area

A combination of methods had to be employed on these excavations. The upper limits of the holes were usually removed by a 38-B Bucyrus-Erie dragline, assisted when necessary by a D8drawn LeTourneau K-30 Rooter. The 38-B machine also worked as a dragshovel, as did a 22-B machine. Ground water became a problem in the centerpier excavations, and because the water was unusually sandy and dirty, conventional centrifugal pumps were not indicated. Six Marlow Mud Hog pumps worked successfully, removing the water and dumping it back to the channel below the bridge.

The excavation in granite was a slow process, consisting mostly of hand work with a small Le Roi compressor and Thor air guns, which handled the sharp steel moil points necessary for penetrating the rock. Blasting was not permitted.

Concrete Work

Concrete work for the new bridge represents a host of procedures and problems. About the only thing which can be said to be typical is the fact that form panels are prefabricated in a central carpenter yard, and the concrete all

comes from one central mix plant.

Early in the project, Vice President Root and Project Manager Bob Boyd decided to organize the formwork and concrete in such a way that as many, men as possible could work on the ground instead of up high. This plan, which was vital so far as safety was concerned, called for all formwork to be prefabbed down on the ground, with the only "highclimbing" consisting of actually fitting the forms into place and



Guy P. Atkinson officials discuss some of the worst problems on the Colorado Pree-way Bridge job. Left to right, Company Chief Engineer W. T. Colwell, Project Mana-ger Bob Boyd, and (standing) Vice President D. E. Root.

making the final bracing adjustments. The panels are varied in size and shape, and in several cases the carpenters have made concrete forms for pours 55 feet high in one lift. Two pours, 77 and 88 feet high, were broken Generally by a construction joint. Generally speaking, all exposed concrete is placed against faces formed with %-inch plywood. This material is nailed to 2x6 studs, centered as close as 9 inches depending on expected pressures, with 2×6 and 4×6 wales. The prefabbed form panels are hoisted to position by a 22-B, 38-B, or 88-B Bucyrus-Erie crane.

A somewhat unusual feature is the fact that form bolts over 20 feet in length are often necessary to reach through the thick pours. For that reason, all bolts are threaded and cleaned at a central point in the yard. Ordinary steel-bolt stock is purchased in bulk, and the form bolts are cut to the proper lengths and threaded at this location. The equipment in this small shop,

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which is operated by M. C. Hardy, a 20-year employee of Atkinson, consists of an Oster bolt threader, a power wheel with a wire brush, and a steel shear which will snip anything up to 34 inch in diameter.

From a construction viewpoint, possibly the most extraordinary problem has been the support from underneath of the gigantic concrete ribs which span the arroyo. Spans 6, 7, and 8 cover a distance of 779 feet. Spans 6 and 8 are each 230 feet long, while span 7 covers a distance of 319 feet.

After considerable study and discussion, the company settled on a scheme consisting of a structural-steel underpinning framework, which would support half the bridge under construction at one time. Then, after the north half had been built, the underpinning could be lowered a few inches away from the concrete arches, moved south to the other half of the structure, and re-used for that part of construction.

Atkinson's engineering staff is headed by District Engineer W. T. Colwell,

who, with Engineer Fred Wunderlich, worked with the private consulting firm of Moffatt & Nichol, Inc., to design the support members.

Under the 230-foot spans are 3 main steel towers and 2 bents which support the load next to the arch piers. The total weight of steel underpinning in spans is about 350 tons. Under the 319-foot span are 4 towers and 2 bents, with a total weight of over 400 Some of the towers are 110 feet

The 10 main towers consist of 6 columns, made up of 12 and 14-inch structural-steel beams. These towers were fabricated on the ground, cross braced for sway stability, and hoisted to position by the 88-B crane, which used a 2-part hoist line from its 130foot boom. The steel towers are set on a series of screw-type jacks, with 4 jacks under each of the 6 columns in a tower. The jacks rest on reinforcedconcrete pads, and for additional bearing while they are in place, are enclosed in dry-packed concrete. When

concrete can be easily chipped away.

The towers are spanned longitudinally by 36-inch WF girders, weighing 230 to 300 pounds per linear foot, and these in turn are topped by 12-inch steel purlins, wood blocking, stringers, and camber strips to make the contour of the arches. The arch soffits are

formed by %-inch plywood.

Solid planking was placed between the 36-inch beams, supported on the bottom flange for safety reasons. It was noted that men worked faster and more efficiently after the material was in place and they could no longer see the ground far below. Catwalks were constructed with strong guardrails as the arches were formed. The only way a man could fall off now would be to crawl out over this guardrail.

Under the flared east deck, landward from the arch ribs, a support frame-work of wood piles was tied together wooden bracing placed every 10 feet. The support framework was espe-cially designed for easy stripping.



Acrow patented shores supported t concrete ramp decks for the 28 da required to build their strength design standards.

Underneath the ramps, Acrow shores supported the slab during its construction. These shores were of course easily removed when the work was completed.

An especially interesting problem presented itself on the flared east deck when a crane came to the limit of its reach in setting form panels for the deck cells. There was still over 150 feet to cover, and the only crane which could reach over that distance was the 88-B. Considering the relatively small size of the panels, the use of a crane that big would have been foolish.

A small Lorain Moto-Crane then moved in to the deck already built, and a cableway line was laid from the boom point sheave out to the limit of the flared deck. The highline was anchored at that point. The panels were then picked up, rigged to the sloping highline on a pulley, and slacked off to their position in the deck cells. The use of this highline speeded the setting of forms immeasurably and hastened concrete work on the tricky east deck.

Mixing and Placing

Because of the lack of working space and certain building restrictions in the area, it was necessary to establish the batch plant about 2 miles from the project, near the corner of Washington and Lincoln Boulevard, in Pasadena. Gabriel Valley Ready-Mixt Concrete Co., which already had a plant set up near this point, consented to set up Atkinson's full-automatic Noble batch plant and operate it, using the aggregates and cement purchased by Atkinson from Graham Bros. and Southwestern Portland Cement Co., respectively.

The Noble plant consists of a 150-ton 4-compartment bin and a 400-barrel cement silo. Aggregates come in three sizes: 11/2-inch minus, 3/4-inch minus, Victor cement is used, and the batch consists of a 6-sack mix designed to give 3,500 pounds of compressive strength at 28 days. The materials are batched dry and delivered to a fleet of Willard truck mixers which

haul to the bridge.

At the bridge, the concrete is usually handled to the pours by cranes—the 88-B, 38-B, or 22-B Bucyrus-Erie. Some of the pier foundations were placed directly from the truck mixers, but the size of most of the pours nearly always called for the use of transfer cranes.

For small pours where the 38-B is in service, a 1-yard Gar-Bro concrete bucket is used. When the 88-B places concrete, as it does on all the high spandrel columns and arch ribs, a 2yard Gar-Bro air-release-dump bucket is used, with a Rud-O-Matic tagline to control its position. A 25-foot com-pressor mounted on the 88-B charges the dump cylinder of the bucket each

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time it is filled with concrete. When the bucket gets in position for dumping, the crane operator releases the material at a signal from the concrete foreman. This bucket has also helped to hold down accidents by relieving a man from what would normally be a hazardous spot.

The bridge deck is being placed by a fleet of 5 Gar-Bro Power Carts, working on wooden runways from a 2-compartment Gar-Bro transfer hopper. The truck mixers dump directly to this hopper, and two of the Power Carts can load at once. As the concrete goes in, it is vibrated by Viber electric vibrators, strategically placed over the pours.

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Project Manager Boyd solved a headache by using about 12 small 5-kw Wisconsin-driven Master electric generating sets around over the bridge. These machines furnish lights, drive the vibrator motors, power small SkilSaws and drills, and make it unnecessary to string power lines in a cramped area where they would be in the way of the cranes.

By March 1, 1952, the bridge was well ahead of schedule, and the first pours had been made on the arch ribs. This had been done in accordance with a placement routine which calls for completion of the central arch span ribs first, followed by the ribs at either side. It takes 6 pours to form each rib, and falsework remains in place 28 days while a water cure is applied. The bridge is expected to be open to traffic early in 1953.

Supervisory personnel for Guy F. Atkinson Co., in addition to Vice President and Area Manager Root, Jim Draine, Assistant Area Manager, Project Manager Boyd, and Engineers Colwell and Wunderlich, includes Project Engineer Brick Marsh, Construction Superintendent Paul Paulson, Carpenter Superintendent Ray McLellan, Excavation Superintendent Ray Heinze, Labor and Concrete Foreman Ed Scharer, and Office Manager Don Snyder.

(For a companion article on the design of the bridge, return to page 20.)

Blacktop Men Hold Forum

As part of a series of district meetings planned by the New York State Bituminous Concrete Producers Association (see C. & E. M., June, 1952, pg. 16), some 75 New York State Department of Public Works engineers—city, county, and township officials—got together with Association members at a round-table forum last June in Garden City, N. Y. The subject under discussion was District 10 (Suffolk, Nassau, and five counties of New York City) and the current road needs and problems confronting it.

With District Engineer J. J. Darcy acting as moderator, members and guests listened to reports and joined in a question-and-answer period. Gus Rayner, Albany, Executive Secretary of the Association, quoted some figures on bituminous-concrete construction throughout the state during the past year. As compared with 1951, he said, blacktop tonnage for state work alone (not including city, county, township, or private work) has increased 43 per cent to a total of some 939,000 tons. Mr. Rayner looks for a total of 1,250,000 tons this season. There are some 64 permanent mixing plants in New York State and about 2,800 throughout the U. S. According to Mr. Rayner, there will be plenty of work for these, as some 43,000 miles of Federal-Aid highways wear out every year and have to be replaced, and it is estimated that \$7 billion a year for the next 15 years will be needed to pay for their upkeep. As for District 10, about 60,000 tons of



District Engineer J. J. Darcy (left) shows great interest in Gus Rayner's point.

They are discussing New York State's blacktop program for 1952 during the meeting held in Garden City lest June.

blacktop will be used on all its projects during 1952.

The Association has pledged its full support to the New York State Department of Public Works and every effort will be made to take care of the heavy requirements of the state highway program.

Data on Mobile Machine Shop

A mobile machine shop is described in a new bulletin issued by Cemco Industries, Inc., First National Bank Bldg., Galion, Ohio. It illustrates both the truck and trailer-mounted unit complete with all standard tools and equipment.

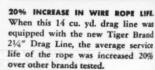
The Cemco machine shop carries a lathe, welding apparatus, a grinder, vise, generator, forge, compressor, power takeoff, and portable drills. A large number of tools and repair kits are also furnished.

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Gabriel Mountains to Los Angeles River, meeting about 2 miles north of Los Angeles City Hall. The watershed is controlled by Devil's Gate Dam up-stream from the Rose Bowl, and by conrete-lined channel sections below Pasadena. At the bridges, no im-provement work has been done on the natural channels.

At the new bridge site the arroyo is 1,500 feet wide and 170 feet deep from the canyon bottom to a flat plateau on the east side. A higher range of hills faces the western approach. Generally speaking, the site was covered by euca-lyptus and oak trees, with homes nestled among the trees in all but the lower levels of the ravine.

The old Colorado Street Bridge, still serviceable within its width limits, is composed of 9 concrete arch spans and a concrete approach viaduct at each

end. Its total length is 1,460 feet. Its deck, 150 feet above the channel floor, has been the jumping-off point for so many human beings bent on self-de-struction that it merits its name, "Suicide Bridge". Nevertheless, it is an impressive, pleasing structure.

Its presence was a problem, however. In the first place, it could not be re-moved because it has extreme value as a service or frontage road along the freeway. The Rose Bowl, only a mile from the site, is accessible by Linda Vista Avenue and Arroyo Boulevard, so the old bridge had to be left to help that traffic. In the second place, it flaunts architectural "cheesecake" too costly to reproduce in today's labor market. And quite apart from cost, it would have ruined both bridges, archi-tecturally speaking, to repeat the tecturally speaking, to repeat the ornate details in the new bridge. It was within these existing conditions that California's bridge designers worked.

Many Bridge Types Studied

In an effort to get economy, traffic-

carrying capacity, and a pleasing architectural effect, they considered many bridge types. Arch bridges of 3, 5, and 7 spans, each with 2, 4, 6, or 8 ribs were studied. The Roman viaduct style was taken under advisement. How about long steel-beam spans, and deck trusses on high piers? Or box girders on round, modernistic, concrete pier shafts? Actually, the latter type fitted the site well, but the engineers quickly decided it was too much of a contrast with the existing multi-arch structure.

Arch bridges of 5 and 7 spans were too near the general arrangement of the old bridge to look right, because there was a decided difference in the profile of the two crossings. The short arch spans looked like hunchbacks; they had too much height for their length. The wider roadway made them incon-

A 3-arch span with a single deckthe type finally picked—is the same general style as the old bridge, but it has enough numbers and sizes of spans to give a pleasing contrast. There is no

harsh architectural clash.

"I want this new bridge to give mute approval to the type originally selected in 1913," explained one designer. "It must be a natural development from must be a natural development from the smaller, more ornate architecture of the past to the larger and plainer architecture of the present."

One of the contractor's foremen, when he was told of this objective, said, "You know, he done it too, didn't he?"

To convince that man, the designer finally made two ribs, and the pier shafts wide transversely but relatively thin in elevation. Spandrel columns were built in the same proportion to play down the massive members required for the wide roadway and ponderous loads the bridge will carry. The number of parts was even decreased to maintain harmony in appearance.

Detailed Design Problems: Deck

Ramps became the No. 1 headache with the design of the bridge deck, for a separation is needed at the east end of the project to carry the Colorado Street on-ramp over the freeway. To accommodate these ramps, which begin in the middle of the bridge, the bridge width varies from 931/2 feet at pier 7 to 171 feet 4 inches at abutment 12. For an additional complication, a 2,000foot-radius curve had to be thrown on the westerly 650 feet of the bridge. That curve extends beyond the first 230-foot

arch span.

Due to this curve on spans 6 and 7,

and the variable spacing of longitudinal beams on spans 7 and 8 (due to the flared east end), the deck design was made more difficult because of the cantilever of the deck slab from the exterior girder. The length of this cantilever arm varies from 9 to 14½ feet, with bending moments up to 50,000 foot-pounds. Previous experience with lighter structures made the designers yell "Whoa!" They knew this was likely to lead to considerable deck cracking, due to the elongation of reinforcement bars. These cracks are at

first merely unsightly, but they lead to progressive failure.

To whip the problem, the designers lowered the allowable working stresses in tensile reinforcement below AASHO specifications. Longitudinal distribu-tion of wheel loads was then increased by adding, to the usual slab-reinforcement bars, a girder-type curb and rail. It was secured to the edge of the pave-ment with stirrups. The area of tensile reinforcement was computed on the basis of a balanced slab design with allowable stresses of 1,000 psi for concrete and 18,000 psi for steel reinforcement.

The slab thickness was then increased to reduce the maximum con-crete and steel stresses to 750 and 13,500 psi, respectively. This method was unusually economical, because it maintained the maximum spacing of reinforcement bars. Under prevailing prices, and the way Sacramento headquarters growls about steel priorities, concrete is much cheaper to use than steel.

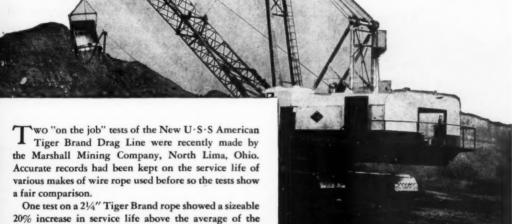
Interior Deck Panels

Interior deck panels were computed for standard allowable working stresses. A variation was the use of 4-way reinforcing for the slab, because many of the panels are almost square. The longitudinal expansion joint, which is almost always necessary to decrease transverse temperature stresses in very wide bridges, was also eliminated.

This bridge differs from the usual wide structure, which is generally set on short rigid columns with little possibility of movement without critical temperature stresses developing. The columns of the Colorado Street Bridge are either long and relatively flexible, or they are attached to elastic arch ribs with a resultant freedom from excessive

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stresses due to temperature movement. Since the structure is in an active earthquake zone, the engineers felt that monolithic construction was more important than an expansion joint.

Arch-Rib Design

A very special problem was planning of the arch ribs which help to carry the three main spans. Consider the problem from these angles

No. 6 is a 230-foot span on the center line of a 2,000-foot-radius curve, with

the left rib 51/2 feet longer than the right. No. 7 is a 319-foot span, with 45 feet on the previous 2,000-foot curve. portion is on the flared major roadway, which requires a variation of 7 feet in the distance between the arch-rib ends to compensate for the increased width. No. 8 is another 230foot span, all of which is on the flared section.

The rib centers are 55 and 70 feet apart at piers 8 and 9, respectively. They had to be varied from 24 to 32 feet wide to get proper column spacing for the deck structure. No two points of springing are at the same elevation, and therefore all the arches are unsymmetrical. The engineers scratched their graying heads and tried desperately to come up with a symmetrical center arch, but a 12-foot elevation differential between the two ends knocked that noble dream into a cocked hat.

To top it off, the whole bridge is on

an ascending grade of 1 per cent, giving unequal column loads at what would usually be corresponding points. This

difference was further spotlighted by the increasing width and heaviness of superstructure, and the widened rib in

A trial rib was selected by using elliptical segments for the arch axis; then a dead-load-force polygon was drawn. The first polygon was dis-concerting, for there were more than the usual discrepancies between polygon and axis, and the selection of the correct axis depended on adjusting the location of the crown as well as changing the rise-span ratio of the unsymmetrical arch rib. Rib axes were determined by the use of a grid system. It was based on axes for two assumed positions of crown and rise ratio, which would enclose the correct rib axis. By computing the elevation of the quarter point for the several positions of the crown—and different rise ratios—it was possible by interpolation to select an axis conforming to the dead-load-force polygon.

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trial axes was not wide enough to enclose the true axis, but the location of the latter was determined by extrapolation. These methods saved many days of design time. Usually, in establishing a multicentered arch axis, engineers worry with the old "cut and dry" method.

Curbs-Box Girders

Design of the curb was influenced by two considerations, safety and strength. What the designers had in mind principally, in addition to the distributing beam effect, was the average California automobile driver: that wild-eyed sport-jacket-clad maniac who would be sport-jacket-elad maniae who would be sure to jockey for position at the on-and-off ramps in the center of the bridge, where it is 135 feet to the streambed below. They could visualize the weaving high-speed traffic, the blaring horns, shouted cusswords; even the unladylike behavior of the women drivers. And they decided they'd better

make those curbs stout.

A standard rail, designed for 300 pounds of horizontal load to the foot, would be like a row of empty orange crates at this point. A safety curb with a heavy horizontal rail above the double 9-inch curbs was modeled, but it looked bad. The final design consists of a reinforced-concrete curb 27 inches high, with the 9-inch steel member reduced to a minor portion of the rail. This gives 3 feet of extra-strong safety curbing, is better looking, and will be a good load-distribution beam.

On the box-girder approach spans, the assumption of longitudinal deck beams as T-beams was no good. Heavy cantilever slab stresses, large negative moments, and dead-load shear reactions were induced in the exterior beams, as well as torsional stresses which could not be resisted either by T-beams or by L-beam curtain slabs originally pro-posed. Box girders were therefore designed to carry these stresses over the outer columns and, for uniformity, were also used over the interior columns. This greatly improved the final appearance of the bridge by adding to the visible dimensions of the beams.

Columns and Piers

There was no particular problem so far as column spacing was concerned, because a granodiorite foundation capedause a granoutorite foundation capable of supporting 20 tons per square foot underlies practically the entire area. Pier 8 is unusually massive and spectacular. It consists of twin pier blocks 60 feet high and 18 x 32 feet in cross section. Approximately 2,500 cubic yards of concrete are in the pier footing alone, with another 1,000 cubic yards in the columns. The 100-foothigh pier shafts are divided into 4 columns above the base. Structurally, they are flexible enough to allow temperature movements without developing critical stresses or needing expansion devices, as a solid shaft would.

Final Dimensions

The final design of the new Colorado Street Bridge is the answer to all these problems. The final design shows a bridge 1,364 feet long. It is 93½ feet wide at abutment 1 and 171 feet 4 inches wide at abutment 12. At span 8, the deck is 130 feet above the stream-

The clear spans of the arch ribs are 214, 302, and 214 feet respectively. The ribs for spans 6 and 7 are 24 feet wide, while the rib for span 8 varies from 24 to 32 feet. Crown thicknesses are 2½ and 3 feet for the 230 and 319-foot spans. Skew-back thicknesses are 4 feet 3 inches and 4 feet 8 inches for high and low ends, respectively, of spans 6 and 8, and 5 feet 4 inches for span 7. There will be 5,500 cubic yards of concrete in the arch ribs, 5,300 cubic yards in the arch piers and footings, and 32,000 cubic yards in the main bridge. About 6,000,000 pounds of steel reinforcement will be used in the

At its peak, the bridge is expected to carry 3,100 vehicles per hour on its twin divided roadways, separated by an 8-foot dividing strip. There will be no provision for pedestrians, except a stairway down at the east end to let

people go to Linda Vista Avenue.

The bridge will cost approximately \$3,500,000 but, in spite of the fact that it is the costliest non-toll bridge ever built in California, the designers believe they achieved the maximum economy consistent with the traffic-handling job at hand.

Personnel

The entire project is under the general supervision of George T. McCoy, State Highway Engineer, and F. W. Panhorst, Assistant State Highway Engineer (Bridges). J. W. Green is in charge of Bridge Department activities in Southern California. P. O. Harding is Assistant State Highway Engineer in District VII in which the bridge is lo-

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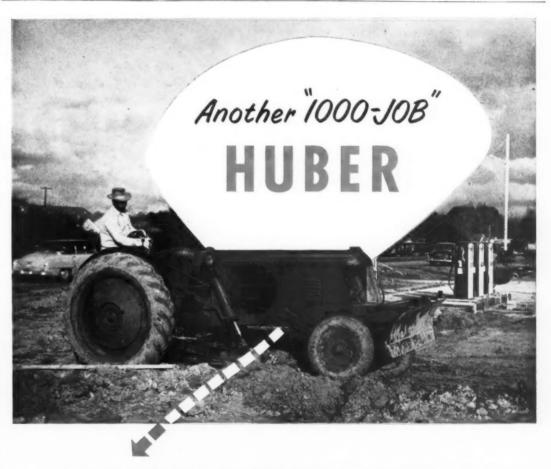
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Three-Arch Bridge Over Deep Arroyo

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Engineer in charge of the project.

Engineering designers who actually worried with the thing from start to finish include H. C. Van der Goes, architectural studies; H. E. Kuphal, original design; C. H. Darby, final design after Mr. Kuphal's retirement in 1988; C. W. Jones and Jones in the state of the 1948; C. W. Jones, preliminary investigation; R. S. Barker and P. H. Bowen, arch-span and pier design; and R. E. Fetter, approaches and auxiliary struc-

(For a companion article on the construction of the bridge, return to page

Reinforced Membrane For Waterproofing

waterproofing and anticorrosion membrane built around a woven spun-glass ply has been developed by Rubber & Plastics Compound Co., Inc., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y. Nerva-Clad is composed of spun glass, synthetic rubbers, and asphaltic hydro-carbons. The reinforcing glass fiber is said to provide a tensile strength of 80 pounds lengthwise and 60 pounds crosswise.

The membrane can be applied dry directly to structural steel, concrete, masonry, or piping. On walls it is applied with hot asphalt or cold fibrated mastics. It may be placed in direct contact with steel beams, the company points out

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River-Harbor Board Golden Anniversary

For 50 years all Congress-authorized river, harbor, and flood-control projects have been screened by the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors. In its golden-anniversary year it is appropriate to look at the work which this senior board is doing in the investigation of the economic and engineering aspects of all projects under the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers.

The Board, whose procedure was set up by the River and Harbor Act of June 13, 1902, consists of senior officers of the Corps of Engineers, selected for the assignment because of their knowledge of and experience in river and harbor and flood-control work. From 1824 until 1902, reports called for by Congress were prepared by the district and division engineers and forwarded to the Chief of Engineers for review and submission. The establishment of the Board, however, made it possible to apply to all reports uniform basic policies and methods of determining engineering and economic elements. thorough review to which the Board subjects all projects is indicated by the high percentage of unfavorable recommendations it has made. For instance, during the period 1930 through 1950, the Board reviewed 3,177 projects and reported unfavorably on over half.

The Board, which consists of a chair-

man, five officers, and a resident member, goes to work in the following way. It usually holds a meeting about every four weeks, each meeting lasting for two or three days. If requested (and they nearly always are) public hearings are held at these meetings. Local interests concerned with water re-sources often send delegates to support or oppose projects recommended or unfavorably reported on by the field offices of the Corps of Engineers. Under the direction of the Board's resident member, its technical staff submits each project to comprehensive study and



Left to right, seated: Brig. Gen. Don G. Shingler; Lieut. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers; Maj. Gen. George J. Wold, Deputy Chief of Engineers and Chairman of the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors; Col. Wendell P. Trower. Standing: Col. Emerson C. Itschner, Col. Chester R. Harding; Col. H. B. Cole, Resident Member; Col. Paschal Strong, Executive Secretary Ben Walker

then forwarded to the Office of the

analysis, relating estimated cost to esti-mated benefit. The Board's report is Engineers prepares from it a report to Engineers prepares from it a report to Congress, which is submitted to the

states concerned, the other Federal agencies involved, and the Bureau of the Budget. With the comments of all these agencies, it then goes to Congress through the Secretary of the Army.

Another function of the Board of En-

gineers for Rivers and Harbors was assigned to it in 1920. This is to compile, publish, and distribute useful statistics. data, and information concerning water transportation and related facilities, including reports on the movement and type of commodity of all the water-borne commerce of the United States. In addition to this, the Board publishes a series of reports on individual domestic ports, terminal facilities, and transportation lines, and prepares classified studies on foreign ports.

Frank S. Salchenberger Dies

Frank S. Salchenberger of Chicago, Ill., died on June 20 at Evanston, Ill. He was for many years Chicago Distric Manager of Morris Machine Works, Baldwinsville, N. Y.



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Caterpillar Opens New Plant at Joliet

Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill., held a press and radio open-house preview last May of the company's new plant at Joliet, Ill. Part of a three-location expansion program—other construction is under way at Peoria and at York, Pa.—the Joliet plant helps answer the demand for bulldozers, rippers, wagons, scrapers, and cable controls, which are all to be manufactured there. Another important function it fulfills is to provide parts for Caterpillar machines.

Construction at Joliet began on March 3, 1950, and the first machine was produced there less than a year later on February 12, 1951, even though the plant was not complete. The entire property consists of 305 acres. So far the construction completed is a manufacturing building covering 662,400 square feet, which will be extended early next year to provide a total manufacturing area of 891,000 square feet.



An air view of Caterpillar's new Joliet, Ill., plant. Manufacturing facilities already cover 662,400 square feet, and 230,000 square feet more (left center) is under way. The 280,000-square-foot Parts Building will be located in the center of the photo near the Des Plaines River.

In addition to this, two smaller service buildings will be erected by next month and a parts department is planned, covering 283.000 square feet.

Henry H. Howard, Director of Sales,

told press and radio representatives at the open house that Caterpillar's sales in 1951 totaled about \$394,000,000 but that with Joliet in full production and other expansion programs nearing completion, the company foresees \$750,000,000 as its sales potential, should market conditions continue as they are today.

ASCE Is Optimistic On Future Progress

The American Society of Civil Engineers has come a long way in its first 100 years, and its centennial year 1952 is the occasion for many backward glances at outstanding past achieve-ments such as the introduction of steel and concrete, which made possible longer bridge spans and heavier loads; mechanization of hand tools and horsedrawn equipment: the use of electric rapid transportation by road, rail, and air due to the internal-combustion engine; and purification of water, with the virtual elimination of water-borne diseases. But the ASCE is not content with looking backward. It envisages the next quarter century as an era in which people in dry areas may drink sea water, we will all breathe clean air, and atomic energy will be used for purposes other than destruction.

At the various centennial meetings the Society is holding this year, there has been discussion of these and other aspects of future engineering. Chair-men and members of technical divisions of the ASCE predict that not only will potable drinking water from the sea become a practical possibility, but sea water will also be used for irrigation. Commercial use will be made of sewage sludge; there will be control of atmospheric pollution and of wastes from atomic-energy industry. The study of soil mechanics, too, is expected to lead to the use of soil as a victal construction medium. struction medium. As for electric power, Society members regard development of the hydraulic turbine as a top ad-vance during the past century and predict that in coming years there will be an increase in the radius for eco-nomic transmission of power and a resulting interconnection of systems.
This will be achieved through the development of equipment to control higher voltages necessitated by new hydroelectric plants more remote from the load centers.

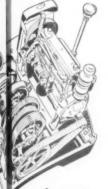
In the field of transportation, the creation of modern urban freeways and toll turnpikes has been an important development in the recent past, and it is foreseen that high-capacity highway systems will soon be integrated for mass transit as well as individual travel. Surveying and mapping will be greatly helped by electronics in coming years, the Society thinks. Waterways will be able to carry greater tonnages due to larger locks for the handling of tows in single rather than in multiple lockage. As to air transport, greater safety in landings and takeoffs is sought through advancement in runway and taxiway design due to the special needs

The ASCE believes in shaping events, and members hail the increasing number of engineers now being elected to public office and the greater use of engineers in the management of the American economy.

Data on Fastening System

An 8-page booklet on the Tru-Set line of fasteners and accessories has been released by Ramset Fasteners, Inc., 12117 Berea Road, Cleveland 11, Ohio. Described and illustrated are light and heavy-duty powder-actuated tools and their carrying kits, and the booklet points out what type fasteners and powder charges should be used with each model. It lists some 20 accessories and fixtures and cites their applications.

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Getting three separate lines of 20-inch pipe across 3,000 feet of unpredictable river to Wittenberg on the Missouri bank was certainly the roughest work Midwestern Constructors had to face in the 400 miles of construction work it did on the 1,340-mile pipeline. The company had to fight abnormally high waters and the river current all summer long, from the very beginning of the project in June of last year. With the coming of winter, ice surged down the channel to make the work even more hazardous as far as equipment and lives were concerned.

But by December 1, as scheduled, the new "big-inch" pipeline was in service, with one of three lines successfully across the river. The three underwater lines, of smaller diameter than the land line, will give the pipeline its planned pumping capacity, plus a safety factor not present had only one line been used.

The Mississippi crossing was the last link in a pipeline that can supply the Chicago area with natural gas at the rate of 524,000,000 cubic feet daily, at full capacity from gas fields at La Gloria, Chocolate Bayou, Old Ocean, and Von Blucher, all in Texas, between Houston and the Rio Grande Valley.

Other river crossings on the part laid by Midwestern are on the Illinois River at Morris, Ill., the Kaskaskia River at Sullivan, Ill., and the Sangamon River at Monticello, Ill.

Dredging

A riverbed path 20 to 40 feet deep and 200 feet wide was dredged for the pipeline by the G. A. McWilliams, a cutterhead dredge, and the Arkansas, a sand-sucker dredge, both of the McWilliams Dredging Co., New Orleans, La. Barges and derricks were supplied by Vollmar Bros. Construction Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Underwater Pipelaying

The first section of underwater pipe was 1,500 feet long. It was set on tiny cars on the railroad track which had been laid down the east bank in a 26-degree grade to the river. A watertight plug was welded to the leading end. Over the plug was welded a steel cap, with a hole slanting through it.

About midstream lay the G. A. Mc-

About midstream lay the G. A. Mc-Williams, her spuds down solid in the riverbed. On the two drums of her stern anchor winch was reeled about a mile of 1¼-inch wire cable, with a breaking strength of 69.45 tons. The cable end led out over the sheave of a derrick, and to pipe on shore. The cable was passed through the hole in the steel cap on the pipe end, and a purchase taken on the pipe. When the order to "heave round" came over two-way radio from the east bank to the winch, the pipe section was pulled half-way across the river. A guide made of war-surplus airplane wheels steadied the pipe on the bank. Pontoon barges kept it off the river floor.



Side-boom tractors handled the land pipe for the Mississippi River gas-pipelin crossing. Midwestern Constructors Co., Inc., Tulsa, Okla., was the contractor.

After the first pull, a 1,000-foot section of pipe, all ready on the bank, was welded onto the first section, and the second pull was made. A third pull was made with a 500-foot section, completing the 3,000 feet of pipe. Barges anchored upstream played out wire rope to the pontoon barges, holding them against the current.

A Pipe Broke

On November 18, the motion of a barge pitching in the current broke off the sealed end of the first of the three pipes, already pulled in a long loop two-thirds of the way across the river from the east bank. Midwestern moved the broken pipe, 3,000 feet long, a few feet up river, and put a second pipeline across. This one went across without mishap.

After the break was discovered in the first pipe, and the second line was put into service, the broken pipe end had to be retrieved, and the full length flushed with water to get the sand out

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Since it broke near its leading end, where it looped up out of the water, it didn't take long to get it ready again.

Handling Land Pipe

On the Missouri bank, the three 20inch electric-weld pipelines climb a 45degree hill up from the river, where they feed through header valves into the 30-inch land pipe, leveling off to-

ward the southwest.

Handling of the heavy pipe on land, where it weighs 200 pounds per linear foot, was done by side-boom tractors using wire-rope slings or belt slings. Every now and then the pipe ashore had to be hoisted into the air high enough to let a freight train of the Illinois Central Railroad pass under-neath. In such cases the side-boom tractors lifted the pipe as high as their booms would allow, and a Lorain drag-line, with its bucket unshackled from %-inch wire rope it used, hoisted a high loop in the pipe, which was quite flexible in long sections, and the train went under the loop.



Sections of 20-inch pipe, their anti-corrosive coating protected by wood-lath covers, wait for the underwater pipelaying across the Mississippi.

The Pipe

The pipe, made by A. O. Smith Corp. came in 40-foot lengths. The lengths were put through a machine that cleaned and primed the surface, then gave it an anticorrosion covering of Fiberglas, felt, and Koppers' Bitumastic enamel, heated to 475 degrees F.

The 20-inch underwater line is laminated, and consists of one 20-inch-out-side-diameter pipe with a ½-inch wall, with two sheets of 5/16-inch plate rolled around the outside and welded. This gives a total wall thickness of 11/8 inches, providing negative buoyancy of about 38 pounds per linear foot, which Texas-Illinois requires for river crossings. Laminated construction eliminates the necessity for river clamps, and also provides extra protection against corrosion. Wood mats were wired around the pipe, over the enamel covering, for protection in handling.

Rather than pull the pipe into the river 40 feet at a time, then wait the four hours it takes to make a 31-bead weld, Midwestern crews put the pipe together in long sections on the bank. Welds were X-rayed, tested with 100psi air pressure, and given a soapsuds



Superintendent M. T. Willhite talks on the two-way radio in his field office to men on the dredge G. A. McWilliams.

test, all on the job site.

Job Conditions

A total of 270 men formed the crews the Mississippi crossing. The work had to be carried on in temperatures that varied from 104 degrees in summer to near zero in December, when the weight of ice pushing against the barges, straining the cables, was constantly a force to be reckoned with.

The river, cantankerous at best, showed its worst temper for the pipeline men. It varied 29 feet during the project, spilling over the top of the levee in September, which, according to C. S. White, was the worst September in history. "September ordinarily is a month when the river is at its low-est," he said. "But in September, 1951, it was at its highest—22 feet higher than its normal stage."

The Jones & Laughlin wire rope used on the project was equal to the tussle. however. The quantities are interesting: Midwestern Constructors used 47,-000 feet; McWilliams Dredging Co. used over 25,000 feet; and Vollmar Co. used 7,000 feet, on the river crossing alone.

Personnel

C. S. White was in charge of the Mc-Williams dredging equipment. M. T. Willhite was Superintendent for Midwestern. Coordinator of the crossing was Howard S. Lipp of Tulsa, one of Midwestern's vice presidents, formerly an employee of Texas-Illinois' parent company in Chicago.

One-Man Chain Saw

A new gasoline-driven chain saw for one-man operation has been introduced by Reed-Prentice Corp., 677 Cambridge St., Worcester 4, Mass. Fingertip con-trols and full 360-degree swivel are said to provide easy handling in all cutting positions. The swivel mechanism can be set at any angle for notching and felling cuts.

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New Stone Spreader Is Tractor-Mounted

A tractor-mounted stone spreader is announced by Tractor Spreader Co., Hasbrouck Heights, N. J. The Jersey spreader handles up to 20 tons per minute; features strikeoff adjustment for varying depths of spread from 1 to 12 inches; and has adjustable bleeder gates to allow a spread width from 10 to 13 feet in 3-inch increments.

The Model 100 is for use with the heavier crawler-type tractors and is mounted on the push beams of the dozer after the blade has been removed. Without special attachments, it can be used with either cablecontrolled or hydraulic dozers by pulling the pins and mounting in position



This Model 100 Jersey spreader is mounted on a Caterpillar DS, but can be used with other heavy crawler tractors. It handles stone from 34 inch up.

on the push beams. To feed stone from any type of dump truck directly into the hopper, the truck is backed up to the hopper and the body raised; the forward movement is controlled by the tractor operator as the truck, steered by the driver, is pushed along.

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In 1775 the Continental Congress created the post of Chief of Engineers, with two assistants. Now, 177 years later, the Corps of Engineers is the third-largest branch of the Army, with personnel in World War II totaling close to three-quarters of a million. It marked its anniversary this past June 16.

Besides its military feats, the Corps has a long tradition of civil-works achievements dealing mainly with harbors, inland waterways, flood control, and water conservation. These activities were expanded by Congress following the last world war. Since the outbreak of the Korean War, there have been additional military tasks for the group-not, however, to the exclusion of civil works which continue at a high rate due to their long-range economic importance.

Lt. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, builder of the Ledo Road and co-author of the Pick-Sloan Plan for the development of the Missouri River Basin, has served as Chief of Engineers since March 1 1949

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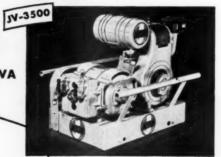
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Public Relations Can Help Cure Road Ills

Highway-Department PR Program Must Be Put on a Continuing Long-Range Basis; Job Primarily One for a Newsman

By HAROLD COHEN, Chief, Bureau of Public Relations, Ohio Department of Highways

• STATE highway departments across the nation are suffering today from a lack of funds with which to battle tremendously increased traffic—a lack caused by antiquated fiscal policies and by legislative strangle holds. Administrators with vision have recognized the symptoms but have seemed unable to alert the public, though it is the public's representatives in the legislatures of the nation who hold the key to the solution.

Highway conference after conference has stressed the need for more education, for a public-relations program that will tell the story to the public. But little has been done to set up such programs, primarily because they are foreign to engineers in general and, as such, greatly misunderstood.

Function in Government

Industry and business have made effective use of public relations to reach and communicate with the people who eventually become their clients and customers. Though state governments and their varied departments do not have to fight for attention from the public, they must win support from the public for their policies and activities. The sound and continuing use of a

The sound and continuing use of a public-relations program can provide the background for constructive and progressive governmental activities. While an administrator is fending off political or pressure-group attacks, his public-relations section can keep pouring out educational material about the program he is attempting to put into action. The very lobbies he fights are probably hiring the best public-relations counsel money can buy; so why should the taxpayers whom the government serves be deprived of similar counsel?

Highway public relations must be a continuing operation. Many highway departments have made excellent starts, only to have their public-relations sections usurped for political expediency as the need to win elections became more important than the need to sell the public on an adequate system of highways. This is quite understandable, but is still a serious diversion of the talent so necessary for the continuance of a sound public-relations program.

A Newspaperman's Job

A highway-department PR man should be a newspaperman. Newspapers who cover governmental agencies, especially at the state level, will tell you they need the assistance of an on-the-spot technically qualified newsman to cover the department for them. Today's wire services and newspapers do not have the trained staff or the time to round up the facts on technical stories arising out of such departments as highways. And while it may be quite a while before the PR man acquires enough technical background to interpret engineering procedures correctly to the layman, it would take most engineers even longer to learn to write for a newspaper.

Ohio PR Section

It might be of interest at this time to outline the activities of the Ohio Department's PR section, staffed only by

a chief, his assistant, a librarian, a handyman, and a secretary. During the past year, our clipping services delivered an average of 10,000 column inches of news stories a week. This represents only a percentage of the real use of the material. It would be a safe estimate to say that Ohio newspapers devoted nearly 1,000,000 column inches of space to highway discussions. This, of course, does not include out-of-state papers,

radio, television, and magazines.

A start was made three years ago from an operation which consisted only

of giving out the names of low bidders on jobs, progress reports on projects, and stories of a defensive nature designed to protect the Department from political charges.

For a year, the job centered around developing a file of information on

every phase of highway construction and administration, fiscal policies, and legal background. During this time, efforts were made to win the confidence of engineers within the Department so they would use the public-relations (Continued on next page)

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section without fear that their statements would be distorted for political reasons. All the while, relations with newsmen and other news sources were

being developed and encouraged.

The public-relations bureau then went into full-scale action, preparing constructive stories illustrated with photos on the functions of each bureau and section in the whole Department. These stories, with accompanying mats of illustrations, were mailed regularly to all of some 400 weekly newspapers and 100 daily papers. Clippings proved that the papers wanted this material and were using it. Such story preparation can be stepped up or slowed down as desired, and is obviously dependent upon budgetary allowances, but it constitutes the basic function of any public-relations operation.

The bureau today has a vast amount of material collected and filed for ready use and reference. We are able to supply all manner of publications with feature stories or spot news. We have used television and radio extensively, too, for there is ample free time available on both if the material is presented interestingly enough.

These are technical operations with which any good newspaperman is quite familiar. The principles involved here are two: (1) that the public-relations section should be given enough time to ground itself in highway matters; and (2) that a continuation of the office assured by effective civil-service status, as well as by adequate pay.

A Long-Range Operation

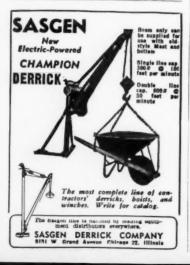
Public relations is no aspirin to be taken for immediate relief from a temporary highway headache. It must be established as a long-range operation just as the engineering functions of a highway department are organized to withstand changes in political com-plexions at the Governor's office. Heads of PR sections might conceivably be changed to conform with such political shifts, but the mechanics of operation can and should remain the same, year in and out.

Such a policy would allay what is probably the highway administrator's greatest fear over the establishment of a public-relations bureau: the fear that it might become a political football reacting to the disadvantage of the administration.

And if public relations is to be regarded as a long-range operation, highway administrators must organize their public-relations bureaus in such a way as to provide salaries to attract capable, respected, and experienced newspaper-

Cooperation Needed

It must be understood that professional engineers by and large do not understand public relations any better



than newsmen understand the stress and strains on a bridge or stretch of pavement. It takes patience, and sincerity of purpose, and cooperation on the part of the public-relations man and the highway administrator to in-sure a successful PR program. Even the modest success enjoyed by the Ohio bureau would not have been possible without Governor Frank Lausche's philosophy that the "best politics is good public service"; or without the understanding patience of Highway Director T. J. Kauer, who gave the bu-reau equal status with engineering bureaus in the matter of participating in all conferences, discussions of policy, and decisions.

Public relations is a profession recognized and used to advantage by industry and by every association in the nation. It is as important to govern-ment as it is to business that good will be built up for the time when it needed. And government has the additional obligation, which public relations

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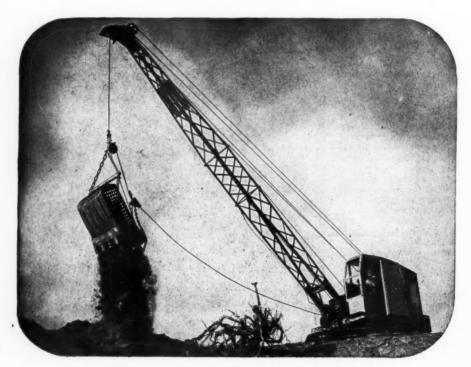
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Soil-Mechanics Survey

A comprehensive survey of soil mewith particular reference to the part this science plays in road en-gineering, has been compiled by the Department of Scientific & Industrial Research, London, England, The information in "Soil Mechanics for Road Engineers" is drawn mainly from the results of laboratory research and field trials carried out by the Department's Road Research Laboratory in Britain during the past 15 years, but recent developments of soil engineering in the U. S. A. and other countries are also

The book is divided into 28 chapters and contains 228 line illustrations, 90 half-tone plates, and a subject index. Designed primarily as a reference book and guide to current practice for the road and airfield engineer, it is of general interest to all engineers concerned with soil and should form a useful textbook for universities and technical colleges. Some mathematical treatment of the underlying theory of soil mechanics is included, but the book is essentially

"Soil Mechanics for Road Engineers" is published by H. M. Stationery Office for the Department of Scientific & Industrial Research, Charles House, 5-11 Regent St., London, S. W. 1., England. The price is \$6.75.

New Lubrication Guide For Construction Equipment

A "Lubrication and Maintenance Guide for Contractors and Allied Equipment" has been released by Gulf Oil Corp., Gulf Bldg., Pittsburgh 30, Pa. The 96-page booklet describes the operation of many moving parts in heavyduty construction equipment and recommends their proper care and lubrication.

Among the major engine headings are crankcase, bearing, gear, valve, and ignition lubrication. Special equipment such as air tools, wire rope, excavators, conveyors, and crushers are also treated. Other general topics covered are storage, tires, battery, dust control, and forms. Gulf oils and their recommended applications are also listed.

This literature may be obtained from the company, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 411.

Davey Promotes Mitchell

E. L. Mitchell has taken over the post of Southwestern District Manager for the Davey Compressor Co., Kent, Ohio, manufacturer of portable air compres-sors and lighting units, power takeand allied equipment. Mr. Mitchell takes charge of company opera-tions in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma.



At a formal cornerstone-laying cere-mony last June, Harnischfeger Corp., Milwaukee, Wis., opened a new diesel-engine division in Crystal Lake, Ill. Walter Harnischfeger, President, delivered the keynote address in which he reviewed the 68-year history of the company and the development of its products. Following the dedication, some 6,000 guests toured the new onestory building in which were set up numerous exhibits of P&H diesel engines. Guides and machine operators were on hand to explain the steps in the manufacture of diesels. An house for employees and friends rounded off the day.

The new building-Harnischfeger's ninth plant-occupies 100,000 square feet, and houses the plant and general offices of the division. With these facilities, Harnischfeger expects to triple production of its advanced line of 2cycle diesel engines built in 1 to 6-cylinder models up to 138 hp.



Operating at an average attitude of 10,000 feet, Northwestern Engineering Co., Denver, Colo., regrades, straightens, and widens 6.8 miles of U. S. 550 in the Molas Lake Pass region, near Silverton. An International TD-24 crawler and a Bucyrus-Erie 38-B shovel work hard to meet the early-1952 completion date.



A Contractor Views Soil-Stabilization Work

A \$250,000 Investment in Equipment Prepares Road Builder To Help Counties Offset Aggregate Shortages

By F. R. EVERDS, Everds Contracting Co., Algona, Iowa

· NORTHERN IOWA, one of the richest agricultural areas in the world, is rapidly approaching bankruptcy in one sense. Its supply of gravel and rock for farm-to-market roads is diminishing at a phenomenal rate. Twenty-five years ago this glaciated region seemed to abound with gravel pits of excel-lent quality. Today, many counties have no gravel pits left. If the rate of depletion of surfacing materials continues, the 50-year-old man may have lived to see the cycle of mud-to-mud completed on secondary roads. Awareness of the problem has brought our State up short and has made us do something about tying down road surfaces which we have hitherto bladed away and allowed to dissipate through frost boils and faulty maintenance.

For high-traffic farm-to-market road surfaces (roads where the count runs up to 250 vehicles a day) costs run about \$2,800 for a new 4-inch cover of gravel over a 24-foot roadway, once the road has been brought up to grade. But a gravel road with this much traffic continues to be rough, dusty, and somewhat dangerous as the loose gravel is constantly whipped back and forth across the road. Then, too, each year we must add as much as 250 yards of gravel per mile for maintenance purposes. This is expensive use of man-hours and equipment; moreover, our part of the country just can't afford to use up the diminishing supply of gravel this fast.

The Best Secondary Road

Alert county engineers, working with the very capable engineering department of the Iowa State Highway Commission, believe they have the answer to conserving both materials and maintenance money on relatively high-traffic farm-to-market roads. (See C&EMonthly, May, 1952, pg. 52.) That answer is a stabilized surface mix consisting of varying percentages of gravel, clay, and calcium chloride according to highway-commission specifications.

In 1951, we laid a 24-foot-wide 4-inch-thick stabilized mixture on an 8-mile stretch of road at a bid of \$5,500 a mile. This was the average cost for 3,000 tons of stabilized mixture per mile with a 12-mile average haul. While this road cost \$2,700 more a mile than a constantly dusty, washboardy, hard-to-maintain gravel road would have cost, it has a road surface 1½ inches thicker, it is dust-free, and it requires maintenance only after rains. The county engineer involved says he sees no need of adding maintenance gravel in the predictable future. If traffic steps up and he chooses to add a bituminous-concrete paving top to this road, the engineer has his subgrade compacted, ready for higher-type surfacing.

The winter of 1950-51 was a bad one for Iowa and the spring thaws caused even well drained gravel roads to go to pieces in many instances. Almost all gravel roads were embargoed against trucks. Even passenger cars got stuck on the sidehill frost boils. As a result, maintenance gravel was added even more profusely than usual. Significantly, the gravel, clay, calciumchloride roads laid by northern Iowa contractors stood up practically 100

per cent while the nonstabilized gravel roads were going to pieces.

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Soil-stabilized roads, as we think of them in northern Iowa, are either a mixture of pit-run crushed gravel, clay, and calcium chloride—or stone, gravel, clay, and calcium chloride. The gravel is used most often. County engineers and highway-commission personnel determine the amount of clay in the gravel and then adjust the percentage of glacial clay to be added. In round figures they generally come up with

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Clay for gravel-road stabilization in Iowa is delivered by Barber-Greene loader to the truck that will haul it to the processing plant.

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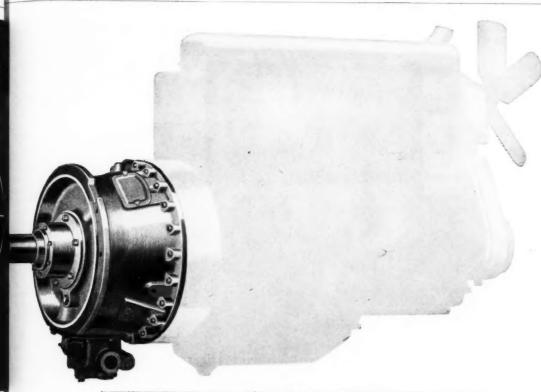
My observation on identical jobs where 15 and 25 per cent of clay was added, was that the 15 per cent clay gave a harder, firmer, quickersetting road, I feel we frequently add a little too much clay.

Equipment Required

Getting into the stabilized-surfacing business requires a substantial investment. In my opinion, the expense involved precludes the average county or municipality from this sort of work. An adequate equipment inventory includes one \$15,000 tractor and dozer; \$10,000 for disks, harrows, and clayprocessing attachments, gas tanks, welders, scale, etc.; one \$14,000 selfpropelled loader; one \$15,000 dragline to rehandle clay stockpile; one \$22,000 dragline in the gravel pit; one \$45,000



The processing-plant setup: At far right, the gravel hopper and the loading crane; then a Pioneer conveyor to a Cedarapids crusher; then a conveyor to a "hold" hopper; then the calcium-chloride hopper with a delivery truck in front; then the conveyor carrying processed material and CaCl: to a Barber-Greene pugmill; finally a Unit crane loading clay from the stockpile to a pugmill conveyor.



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Job Method

Last year we did a soil-stabilized road job in Kossuth County, which is a good example of the methods we use in this type of work. The contract was for 29 miles of stabilized-soil surfacing on a farm-to-market road. It called for 3,000 tons of mix to be placed to a 4inch depth on each mile of 24-footwide road.

We bid the job at \$5,500 per mile. That was 65 cents per ton for processing the clay and gravel and rolling and blading at the plant, 70 cents for producing the clay and gravel, and 5½ cents per ton per mile for haul. The material was taken from county pits and the county also supplied the calcium chloride. All trucks were run over a scale for weighing before going out to the road. Since gravel was 75 per cent of the mix we set the process-ing plant up at the gravel pit.

A Caterpillar D7 tractor-dozer pulling an old-type Austin-Western ripper with 11 teeth farmed the clay area over about an acre to an acre and a half. An International wheel tractor with a harrow and disk at the rear opened the clay to a depth of 4 inches. The D7 came back and dozed the clay into a windrow where it was picked up by a self-propelled Barber-Greene loader. The B-G had a ¾-inch vibrating screen at the end of its discharge conveyor. The minus-¾-inch clay fed into the trailing trucks which carried it to the stockpiles at the plant.

The plant was set up with simple material flow lines. A Sargent 34-S excavator mounting a 1-yard Page dragline pulled gravel out of the pit and fed it to a hopper at the tail end (or beginning, if you like) of the plant setup. A Pioneer 30-inch-wide powerdriven conveyor carried the pit-run gravel 60 feet to the feed hopper of the crusher. We used a long conveyor so it could be swung around along the face of the pit for easy supply to the plant. The crusher was a Cedarapids Super-Tandem powered through a Caterpillar D7 power takeoff. Mounted on a Diamond T 6 x 6, the crusher is completely portable.

Crushed to a %-inch maximum size, the gravel next fed into a large "hold" hopper for proportioned delivery to a 30-inch Barber-Greene conveyor. The conveyor belt ran under the calcium-chloride hopper, straddling

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A Contractor Views Soil-Stabilization Work

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it, and up to the pugmill. A workman split open the hundred-pound bags of chloride and fed them into the hopper. An adjustable opening at the

bottom of the hopper controlled the delivery onto the belt at 10 pounds of calcium chloride for each 3/4 ton of gravel (that would be 10 pounds per ton of final mix).

The clay meanwhile was fed from stockpiles onto another conveyor, 24-inch Barber-Greene, by a Model 514 Unit crane carrying a ½-yard

clamshell. The conveyor carried the clay up to the pugmill hopper where it joined the gravel and calcium-chloride mix. The Barber-Greene pugmill was powered by an International PD 100 engine and mounted a 11/2-inch Jaeger pump which metered the desired quantity of water into the mix. The operation was continuous and the final mixture poured in a steady stream into 5-ton hydraulic dumps for hauling to the road. Each dump, incidentally, was weighed on a 25-ton Thurman platform scale before going to the road

The old road had 1,200 to 1,500 yards of gravel on each mile. We scarified and bladed this prior to placing the new surface. The trucks spaced the load out on the road for blading by a No. 12 Caterpillar grader. A 10-ton Bros rubber-tire compactor, pulled by a Minneapolis-Moline wheel tractor, finished the surface to proper density. With good weather we were able to produce about 2,500 tons of gravel and

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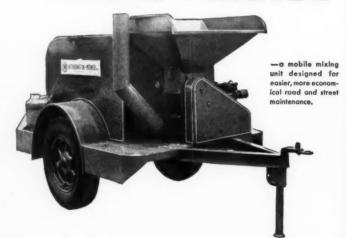
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Pox No. 16 semiantomatic nailer

them moving parts that require no lubrication.

The nailer drives 6 to 16-penny com-mon nails. The nail is fed head-first into the muzzle of the nailer and driven by rapid blows of an alloy-steel plunger when the trigger is pulled. The company points out that the nailer reduces operator fatigue and time on overhead nailing, and that it can be disassembled in seconds when service is required.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 454.

Turner Operating Yards Move

Turner Construction Co. has moved its operating yards from Maspeth, Long Island, to a 2-acre tract in the Bergen County Industrial Terminal, South Hackensack, N. J. A garage, maintenance shop, and open storage areas utilize the entire site, which not only has rail siding but is also strategically located for trucking. Headquarters are at 420 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y.

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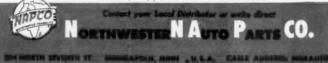
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A workman stud-welds corrugated-as-bestos siding around a transit shed on the Port of Boston Authority's Mystic Pier No. 1 project. He is just about to pull the trigger on the Nelson stud-welding gun. It has a plastic-tube ex-tension which is inserted through a predrilled hole.

Stud Welding Aids A Pier Contractor

The use of 1/4-20 x 1-1/2-inch stainless-steel Nelweld fasteners end-welded with a Nelson stud-welding gun solved one of the problems connected with the erection of the Port of Boston Authority's new Mystic Pier No. 1 (see C. & E. M., June, 1952, pg. 18). Atmospheric conditions dictated that a 246,-000-square-foot transit shed, surrounded on three sides by sea water, be enclosed in corrugated-asbestos siding.
The subcontractor for this job—Federal Sheet Metal & Roofing Co., Jamaica Plain, Mass.—installed 560 squares of Careystone siding with the aid of the Nelson stud-welding outfit. For the installation of corrugated-asbestos interior fire curtains, too, the consulting engineer, Thomas Worcester, Inc., specified Nelweld fasteners as being neater than stainless-steel clips and bolts and easier to install in tight spots.

Stud welding came to the rescue a little later as well, when more than 32,000 linear feet of sprinkler lines in the transit shed had to be placed above the bottom chord of the welded roof trusses supporting a flat concrete roof deck. There was no place to fasten the usual type of clamp, so H. G. Vogel Co., sprinkler - installation subcontractor, welded more than 4,000 studs to the flanges at the top of the trusses and extended the supports with rods to the sprinkler-line level. Merritt-Chapman

& Scott Corp., New York, N. Y., w the general contractor on the Mysti Pier project.

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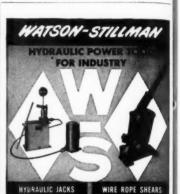
Folder on Saw Technique

A 4-page folder, "What Magic Pivot Means to You", is being offered to power-saw users by Cummins-Chicago Corp., 4740 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40, Ill. The principle of Magic Pivot, a technique that places the pivot point of the saw shoe as close as possible to the saw shaft and the work, it illustrated by eight simplified engi. neering drawings.

A chart gives the price, weight, and

depth-of-cut features of Cumming Maxaws with Magic Pivot; and there is a picture and record of achievement of Fred Wappat, inventor and designer of Magic Pivot, pioneer of the portable electric saw, and developer of the telescopic saw guard.

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A Stewart-Warner preheater is shown in use with a Waukesha diesel engine to speed up starting in cold weather.

Preheating System Starts Cold Engines

Preheating equipment which is said to make it possible to start diesel or gasoline engines under severe cold conditions is announced by Stewart-Warner Corp., 1514 Drover St., Indianapolis 7, Ind.

The equipment works in two stages. When preheating, it circulates hot air around the battery, the internal part of the engine, and through a heat exchanger in the oil sump. After preheating, a valve is closed where the system enters the crankcase, sending the air through the induction system. The oil and battery are warmed during both stages. The company claims that most of the resistance to cranking power is eliminated in 10 to 20 minutes with this system.

Introducing heated air into the induction system aids combustion by warming the air and fuel vapor while preventing condensation of the fuel on cold manifold walls. Finned tubing routed through the oil sump carries 400-degree air to heat the oil.

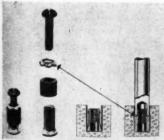
Using the Model 978 heater with a delivery of 20.000 Btu per hour, the company reports that a General Motors 6-cylinder diesel has been started with less than one minute's cranking at 60 to 90 rpm at temperatures from 25 to 65 degrees below zero. The engine was preheated from 25 to 75 minutes. Cranking power inputs ranged from 6,000 to 10.000 watts.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 423.

A New Screw Anchor

A screw anchor for use wherever machine screws, stove bolts, or wood screws must find an anchor in brick or masonry is made by Super-Grip Anchor Bolt Co., Inc., 3333 N. 22nd St., Philadelphia 40, Pa. It prevents loosening and pulling out under conditions of vibration or strain.

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When driven into brick or masonry, the lead of this screw anchor mushrooms out and the steel anchor collapses, forcing sharp edges into the masonry and threaded component.

A tamping tool, provided with every 100 anchors, is used to mushroom the lead sleeve and flatten the steel anchor. The company also provides a blow tube that is inserted into the masonry hole to remove dust and dirt. This assures anchorage against masonry instead of loose dirt.

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Book on Technical Reports

How to communicate every kind of technical information—written or oral, formal or informal—in simple, clear, good English is the keynote of "Technical Reporting" by Joseph N. Ulman, Jr., of M. I. T. The handbook explains important fundamental principles and suggests a general procedure for writing a report or paper.

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A section covers the use of visual presentation in technical reporting. It includes information and illustrations on graphs, curves, drawings, diagrams, maps, etc. The appendix of the book lists abbreviations for scientific and engineering terms and includes specimen reports and letters.

This book may be obtained from Henry Holt & Co., 383 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Price is \$4.75.

Cab for Crawler Tractors

Literature on cabs for International crawler tractors is available from Allen Industrial Products, Inc., 97 Liberty St., Battle Creek, Mich. The units are made of all-steel welded sections. The interior surfaces are heavily coated with a rubber-base deadener to dampen vibration and noise. Doors can be removed to suit varying operating conditions. A 5-speed pressurizer, optional on the TD-24, draws air at 500 cfm through a filtered inlet at the top of the cab. A 20,000-Btu hot-water heater is available for all models.

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City Wins Toughest Flood Fight in Years

Snow Pack in Hills Sends Floodwaters Surging Through Salt Lake City Streets; Men Battle to Exhaustion

By RAY DAY

· SALT LAKE CITY has had it.

This great city at the crossroads of the west, staked out by Brigham Young on the Salt Lake Desert at the foot of a ring of somber snow-shrouded mounhas whipped a flood almost everybody believed could never happen. Thirteenth South Street, one of the better boulevards, still has earth dikes 12 feet high along its curbs, and water races down its center. The Jor-River and the Surplus Canal are still bank-full. But Salt Lake City is breathing easier, and City Engineer

McLeese, a wizened little half-pint of a guy with a heart for his job, got up out of a sickbed to lead the fight. With volunteers and a nucleus of engineering personnel consisting of only a few McLeese's assistants, a flood at least twice as bad as any previously experienced was whipped to a standstill. With the help of contractors, equipment distributors, the County, and the State, about 150,000 cubic yards of earth dikes were built in two weeks. Sandbags filled ran into the millionplus mark, as near as can be estimated.

Roy W. McLeese is getting some sleep.



There was some property damage, but many millions of dollars in potential

damage were saved.

Of all the cities in the United States, Salt Lake City in its semi-arid loca-tion could least be expected to be hit by such a disaster. When the first Mormon emigrants arrived at the site of the city in 1849, there was enough water in nearby mountain streams for the foreseeable future, but there was no oversupply. Seasonal periods of high water have sometimes occurred, but they have not been major problems. As a matter of fact, the Bureau of Rec-

Under this river is a major Salt Lake City street — 13th South. This is the way the stream was carried across town.

lamation at this time has several supplemental water projects under way to help Salt Lake City and Provo.

Out of the 8,000-foot-high Wasatch Mountains which circle the city east and north come the drainage channels from the major watersheds: Parley's, Emigration, and Red Butte Canyons. At 13th South Street and State Street, not far from the center of the city, they meet.

Parley's Canyon has a water-supply reservoir called Mountain Dell Lake, which can also do some good in controlling floods. Emigration and Red Butte Canvons are still undeveloped so

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far as flood-control works are concerned. At the meeting point of these streams the City built a storm sewer several years ago to carry about 300 cfs across town. The old Surplus Canal, built in 1883, gave still another means to divert part of the water from the Jordan, which meanders through the heart of the city.

To complicate the situation, Utah has a state law which makes counties re-sponsible for the control of streams, even when they pass through a city.

McLeese, who was born and raised in Salt Lake, realized all these things. And when the January snow reports showed the heaviest pack with the highest water content in decades, he began to worry. He pestered the City Commission, county officials, and even state people. From January to April, his progress was nil. Salt Lake City had never had a flood before, and people simply didn't believe it could hap-pen in 1952.

By April 6, however, the snow pack had begun to melt off rapidly during a short period of warm weather. Jordan River began to rise. McLeese repeated his warning, and this time the Com-mission authorized a \$50,000 emergency fund to build dikes and other protec tive works along the Jordan, a surplus canal.

The Utah Construction Co. moved in with four 3/4-yard draglines, trucks. and a few tractors. The work was proand a few tractors. The work was pro-ceeding fairly well, and \$25,000 worth of dikes had been built, when the Jor-dan suddenly went wild. By April 18 the alarmed officials had all gaging stations manned, and an emergency meeting between city, state, county, and U. S. Army Corps of Engineers officials was called. A temporary flood commission was set up, financed to the tune of \$25,000 each by City and State, and \$50,000 by the County.

Worried and sick from a long but unsuccessful battle to prepare for the flood, McLeese contracted a case of flu. He was confined to his home on orders of his doctor when, on April 20,

the flood came

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Fifteenth East Hit First

On Sunday night, April 20, a culvert pipe blocked off at 15th East Street. Before the inlet could be freed, a lake had started to back up toward the nearby residential area. Before anything could be done, the rising waters ripped through the street and by morning the whole roadway at that

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tupp pump deals with the temporary "river" down 13th

was gone.

Up from his sickbed, McLeese began to direct flood-fighting operations. The first thing, he reasoned, was to get that culvert pipe unplugged. But how? By this time it was covered with water.

mud, and silt. A City-owned dragline came in to dig for the entrance, but its boom was too short. Surveyors then located the entrance by shooting a pair of intersecting lines with transits, and McLeese soon had a longer-boom contractor's dragline at the site to open it up.

But the machine was unable to do so The entrance grate, which had been laid on a 45-degree angle for easy removal, had since been sealed in with a concrete cover, placed by another city department. Houses were nearby, but McLeese decided to try dynamite Guessing where the end of the culvert was, he had 2½ pounds of powder ex-ploded on top of the pipe just back of the entrance grate. It failed to make a hole. The next shot called for double the amount of powder. It worked, and the water again started to flow through the culvert. The lake that had been

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City Wins Toughest Flood Fight in Years

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built up in the meantime remained at about the same level.

But trouble began to develop all over the place. The same kind of plug-up blocked off a culvert at 13th East Street, and the water began to get out of hand. By now, officials were becoming very much concerned. McLeese and the key members of his staff had been on the job continuously for 65 hours, and the flood was just beginning to get bad.

By April 25, the storm sewer at the junction of the streams was under a hydraulic head. Manholes began to blow off, and water started running down 13th South Street. It was then that McLeese realized that every hour counted. In one night he needed 1,800 cubic yards of dike material. Utah Construction Co. put 70 trucks on the job and delivered it. The street was quickly converted to a river capable of handling about 700 cfs. Gone was the earlier plan to divert through the Surplus Canal and use the Jordan for emergency water. Now the Surplus Canal, the Jordan, and 13th Street were running full.

Quickly, with the cooperation of the Union Pacific and D. & R. G. W. Railroads, large-diameter culverts were laid to breach the two railroad tracks in the way. Sandbags were placed along the roadbeds, but the rapidly rising water began to lap over the top and eat away at the cinder roadbeds. In the nick of time the culverts were installed.

Meanwhile, appeals had gone out for volunteer help. Men responded. There was a particularly good turnout of teen-agers from local high schools. Two salt spreaders went into action. Backed end to end, with the spreader fans removed, they were used to fill sandbags. These were turned out by the hundreds of thousands, and the City's maintenance yard swarmed with traffic as people jammed the place to get sandbags placed around their property. Two pits furnished the sand, and miraculous lines of sandbagged dikes appeared in the danger areas in short order.

Then Failure!

By this time people were beginning to believe the worst was over. Several had even offered to whip McLeese personally for routing the water down 13th Street. But McLeese's troubles were just beginning.

For one thing, the dikes as built were not high enough to hold the flow. They had to be raised. Water levels crested so fast that a tough decision had to be made; a dike had to be cut to let some of the water spread out. This was turned out through a lightly settled industrial section, where the least amount of property damage was likely.

The most heartbreaking thing of all, however, was the sudden failure of one of the main dikes along 13th Street. One night about 1 a. m., when key crews were dead for sleep and most of the volunteers had gone home, this dike softened and broke. By 1:30 a. m. McLeese was at the site with contractor's equipment. They hauled material all night long, with McLeese personally acting as spotter and dump man.

Shortly after daybreak, the closure was about ready. Trucks quickly poured the dirt in. When the last truck backed in to make the closure complete, McLeese gave the signal for the driver to stop. Instead of hitting the brake pedal, the driver hit the gas. McLeese barely leaped away in time as the truck hurtled back into the breach, down over its axles, and mired in the bank. The driver wasn't hurt, but by the time they got the truck out, the breach was wider than ever.

"I just about gave it up then," Mc-Leese said later. "That looked like the end of everything. But then I got to thinking about all that had been done before, and it didn't seem so bad."

Nevertheless, McLeese realized the fight was in real danger of being lost unless help came quickly. A 5 a. m. conference of the City Council was called. Various agencies then got together in planning, and by noon the next day they were fully pledged to cooperate. McLeese was officially placed in charge, with authority to arrange for men, materials, and equipment.

He stepped up the program immediately. As equipment came in he put it to work strengthening and raising the dikes, and building new ones. Be-

cause of the early efforts of his group, there was a real nucleus to work from, and slowly the water was brought under control. By May 20 the worst of the flood had passed, leaving minimum damage for so much water. The Jordan River and the other streams are still bank-full at this writing, but one of the most hectic 3-week periods in the history of the City Engineer's office is over.

Cleanup Job Remains

There remained, of course, a cleanup job of enormous magnitude. All the dikes which were hauled in so hastily along 13th Street had to be cleaned up and hauled out. Since much of the flood occurred near the industrial and manufacturing area, many firms offered

to clean up the material free of charge to the City, so they could use it in building up their properties. Pumps began working night and day to clean up the remnants of lakes which were formed when the dikes broke. AUC

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It was expected to be late summer before this cleanup job was finally finished

McLeese believes the flood will result in a wave of public demand for adequate works to prevent a recurrence of this disaster. While no lives were lost, it is entirely conceivable that a repetition of the flood at some future date could result in many lives lost, as well as in property damage which would more than justify construction of storm sewers, channels,

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Throughout the emergency, Salt

Lake's sewage system worked per-fectly. McLeese ordered all manholes caulked and battened down, and an extra effluent pump installed at the treatment plant to handle excess water reaching there. A typhoid epidemic was prevented.

One thing McLeese still isn't clear He doesn't know what happened is case of flu. "I guess I wore it to his case of flu. out", is his explanation

He has high praise for L. W. Myers. B. E. Mellenthin, Harry Butcher, and Maurice McKendrick of his staff, who stayed with the fight day and night. Comm. Joe L. Christensen of the Salt Lake Street Department handled the many telephone calls and kept up on routine business matters. Mayor Earl J. Glade, Comm. L. C. Romney, B. E. Lingenfelter, and Grant Burbidge also

worked night and day.

"It would be impossible to name all of the fine people who cooperated in this flood fight", says McLeese. "Utah Construction Co.'s Superintendent, William Spalding, gave us everything he had in the yard. Other contractors and equipment distributors did a fine

McLeese has not, as vet, written a report about the flood. He is too busy trying to stop the next one by urging, on anyone who will listen to him, a flood-control system which will prevent a flood like this from ever happening again.

New Measuring Wheel

A measuring wheel 4 feet in circumference that registers distances up to 100,000 feet is offered by Rolatape, Inc., Santa Monica, Calif. It measures and

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Jet-Piercing Blastholes

A booklet on jet-piercing of blast-holes is available from Linde Air Products Co., 30 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y. It describes and illustrates the techniques, apparatus, and various processes used to pierce blastholes in Taconite ore in the Mesabi range in Minnesota.

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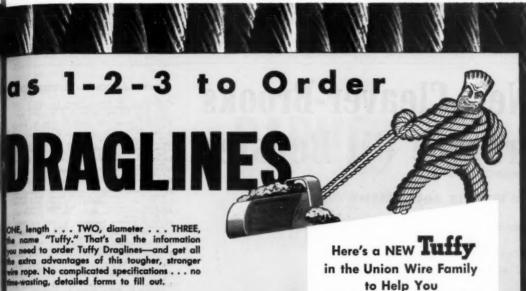
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Another Hat Trick

Dave Quackenbush, a jackhammer operator at the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.'s Benson Mines at Star Lake, N. Y., has provided a new angle on safety hats. While drilling a large rock, he slipped and fell, landing head first on a pile of rocks below. Mr. Quackenbush owes his life to the fact that he was wearing his Skullgard, which was held firmly in place by the chinstrap. The hat has not been the same since, but Mr. Quackenbush is doing fine. The Skullgard absorbed the impact by shattering, so that the force of the fall was dissipated and the wearer's head, neck, and spine were saved from serious injury.



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The Twin Bin batcher in use during a bridge pour in Marshall County, Iowa

New Batcher Stores And Weighs Aggregate

A concrete batcher used with 1, 2, or 3-bag mixers is manufactured by Cimco Mfg. Co., Box 422, Marshalltown, Iowa. The Twin Bin consists of a stock bin and a scale bin. The stock bin receives and holds the sand and gravel, and the scale bin weighs the aggregate before releasing it into the mixer skip.

The company points out that three men can handle the entire mixing operation. One loads the stock bin, another handles the cement and the mixer, and the third operates the three discharge gates under the sand and gravel. The stock bin stores 20 cubic feet in

each compartment. It is 7 feet high, over 9 feet wide with sideboards, and weighs 610 pounds. It can be loaded by small and medium loaders or clams. The scale bin stores up to 8.5 cubic feet and weighs 180 pounds. It has a spring-assisted dump gate.
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Masonry Water Repellent

A 3-page bulletin on Dam-Tite ma sonry water repellent has been issued by Speco, Inc., 7308 Associate Ave. Cleveland 9, Ohio. Dam-Tite is a transparent colorless liquid which can be brushed or sprayed on all mason; surfaces. Made with a silicone resi-base, it lines pore walls with an invisible protective coating which, according to the literature, prevents the entrance of water and at the same time permits be the permit the passage of air. Dam-Tite is said to be the remedy for interior moisture damage due to damp masonry wall and for exterior damage such as chipping, flaking, staining, and efforescence. Other information includes how, when and where to use it.

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Gravel Subbase Gets Double Tar Seal Coat

Indiana Contractor Puts Hard Surface on Old Gravel Road
In Vermont; 4-Mile Job Includes Grading and Drainage

• AS the crow flies it is nearly 800 miles from Indianapolis, Ind., to Johnson, Vt. Last year the A. L. Dougherty Co. made the long jump from the Hoosier State to the Green Mountain State to do some road work for the Vermont Department of Highways. The Indianapolis contracting firm had been working in the New England area, and submitted low bids on two major roadbuilding projects in northern Vermont. One was a 7-mile contract between Hardwick and Greensboro, and the other was a 4.16-mile contract between Johnson and North Hyde Park. Both were grading, drainage, and surfacing projects.

The Federal-Aid project covering

The Federal-Aid project covering the 4.16 miles from Johnson to North Hyde Park was on State road 100-C in Lamoille County, and was on the direct route from Burlington, on Lake Champlain, to Newport, near the Canadian border. The existing road, an 18-foot gravel surface worn thin and full of holes, was in such poor condition that traffic usually avoided that stretch in favor of the all-paved route through Hyde Park, even though it is 4 miles

With a 22-foot width and a 4-inch center crown, the new pavement consists of a double tack coat of refined tar with a peastone seal, laid on a 2-inch crushed-gravel base. Under that is a 16 to 22-inch gravel subbase. Shoulders are 3 feet 5 inches wide and have a total pitch of 2½ inches. Side slopes in cuts and fills vary, according to the location, from 1½ to 1 to 4 to 1. Construction got under way in May of last year, and was completed by November 20.

Grading

In general, the alignment of the existing road was followed fairly closely, but sharp curves were flattened out and steep dips in the vertical profile were removed by raising the grade. Except for one 26-foot fill nearly 600 feet long, the embankments and cuts were shallow. On the southerly half of the job the soil was mostly clay, but this changed to sand and gravel at the upper end, providing a good subgrade for the roadway.

Most of the drainage work was lo-

Most of the drainage work was located in the clay cuts near the Johnson end, and the pipe was laid by Lucien Demars of Enosburg Falls under a subcontract. Trenches were dug with a Lorain ¾-yard backhoe.

Equipment employed in the grading and gravel work included two %-yard shovels—a 22-B Bucyrus-Erie and a Northwest—working with a fleet of hired trucks carrying 4 to 5 yards of material apiece. As many as 16 trucks were engaged at one time, but the average in constant use was about half that number. A LeTourneau Carryall

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A Gravel Job

Material for the gravel subbase, totaling 39,200 cubic yards, came from a pit just off the right-of-way. The 16 to 22-inch subbase extends the full width of the roadway out to the slope lines, and was laid in approximately 6-inch lifts. The road was kept open to traffic, and the movement of the vehicles aided in the compaction. A pair of D4 dozers spread the gravel, and the final shap-

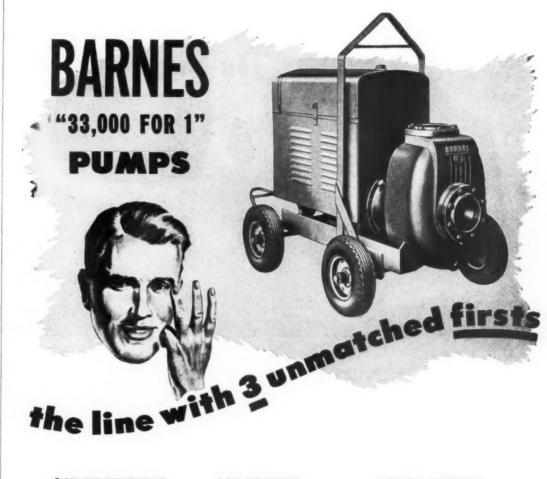


A Huber 10-ton 3-wheel roller compacts a peastone seal coat over a double tack coat of tar on State Boad 100-C in Lamoille County, Vt.

ing was done with two Caterpillar motor graders, a No. 12 and a No. 112. A Huber 10-ton 3-wheel roller assisted with the compaction.

Over the subbase went a 2-inch base

course of crushed gravel, also extended out to the slope lines. This material was obtained from the commercial plant of Albert Nadeau of Johnson, (Continued on next page)



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Gravel Subbase Gets Double Tar Seal Coat

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and was graded from 1½ inches down, about 60 per cent being gravel and the remaining 40 per cent sand. Trucks end-dumped it on the subbase, while the graders spread it out for rolling by the smooth-wheel roller.

This base was then given the first shot of RT-5 tar applied at the rate of 0.5 gallon to the square yard. The tar penetrated the gravel to the depth of about one inch. All bitumen was supplied and applied by the Barrett Co., and came from plants in either Worcester or Malden, Mass. Barrett engaged Vermont Bituminous Service of Bennington, Vt., to do some of the shooting.

Double Tack Coat

Bitumen was shipped by rail in tank cars to a siding of the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Railroad in Johnson,



. & E. M. Photo Time off for the camera. Left to right: Resident Engineer Wilbur B. McAllister General Superintendent Doyle Sorgius; and Superintendent Edwin Goodwin. where it was heated by a Cleaver. Brooks tank-car heater and then transferred to the Barrett distributor-1,500-gallon air-driven rig mounted of a Mack truck. The first shot with the RT-5 tar was applied by this distributor at a temperature of around 150 degrees F. It was done half-width at itime in sections 2,000 to 2,500 feet long and while one half of the road was being tacked, traffic used the other half.

After this initial application had se for 1½ to 2 hours, it was dusted ove with a light cover of sand spread or by hand from trucks. The work proceeded from the south to the northem of the job. When both halves of the road were done, the contractor waite for about seven days, or until this first tack or prime had hardened, befor putting on the seal. Vermont Bituminous Service helped with the seal using its 1,048-gallon Etnyre distributor mounted on an Autocar. This unil also worked on the initial application hand-spraying with a hose was done at intersections when the larger distributor worked the straightaway.

The seal was put on the full 22-for width at a temperature of 200 degrees F and at a rate of 0.25 gallon to the square yard. It consisted of a blend of 40 per cent RT-9 and 60 per cent RT-3 and was applied in 1,000-foot sections at a time. At the start of each run a 36-inch strip of building paper was spread across the road to lap the joint and thus avoid any fat spots of excess

bitumen.

Peastone Seal

Within ten minutes after the tar was applied it was covered over with a single thickness of ¾-inch peastone put on from Buckeye spreader boxes hooked to the tailgates of trucks. Two boxes were used, and the pair of trucks hauling the stone worked nearly abreast as they backed over the road As the boxes were 10 feet wide, they covered only the inner 20 feet, but enough stone was discharged so that men with rakes and shovels could spread the material over the one-foot outside strip on each side.

outside strip on each side.

Then the peastone was rolled in by a Huber 10-ton 3-wheel roller. About 100 cubic yards of this cover material was required for a mile of pavement Next a fog coat of the same bitument blend was put on at the rate of 0.1 gallon to the square yard, and covered with a thin layer of washed sand applied from the spreader boxes. Both the peastone and the sand came from the same local supplier of the crushed gravel.

gravel.

Because of the heavy traffic that is anticipated over this 4.16-mile cutoff. it is expected that a higher type of blacktop pavement will be required after a couple of years. Either a mixed-in-place or plant-mix mat, 2½ inches thick, will probably be laid over the present double bituminous seal coat.

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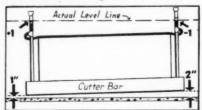
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A. L. Dougherty Co. employed an average force of 25 on the project. Doyle Sorgius is General Superintendent for the firm, and Edwin Goodwin was Job Superintendent.

For the Vermont State Highway Department, Wilbur B. McAllister was Resident Engineer assisted by Edward Resident Engineer assisted by Edward Glysson. The Department is headed by Paul H. Gates, Commissioner, with Hubert E. Sargent, Chief Engineer. H. W. Marsett is Highway Engineer, and F. C. Coates is Construction Engineer.

Provision of Funds Is Only Highway Cure

"You got us out of the mud, now get us out of the muddle" is the plea of highway-user groups and motor clubs to the highway engineer. But the un-happy engineer is not a magician. Without money he and the highway departments can do nothing. The moment this subject is mentioned, however, a cry of propaganda goes up from the very organizations that are clamoring for relief from traffic congestion and worn-out highways. So C. H. Buckius, Chief Engineer, Pennsylvania Department of Highways, told a centenary meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers at Philadelphia. Though our modern turnpikes have done much to reduce traffic congestion in their operating areas, he said, it is still the pub-lic official's duty and responsibility to provide adequate free highways. There is no disagreement about our highway needs. But too much emphasis has been placed on the engineering aspects of the situation and not enough on providso that s could one-foot ing the necessary funds. The funda-mental fact, said Mr. Buckius, is that the obstacles are about 90 per cent financial and 10 per cent engineering.

The prime responsibility for financing must be at state and local levels; larger Federal-Aid appropriations won't get us anywhere, unless it's into a coil of red tape. About half the states have been demanding of their state governments that motorists' taxes must be utilized for highway purposes only; what is really needed is an amendment to the Federal constitution along the same lines, since it is the Federal gov-ernment which has been the greatest exponent of diverting motorists' taxes.
Withdrawal of the Federal government from the field of gasoline taxation, with the present Federal tax of 2 cents per gallon passing to the states for highway onstruction, would accomplish greater results then any increase in Federal-Aid appropriations. Finally, said Mr. Buckius, complete accord is needed, plus a realistic approach to the problem of sufficient funds.

Bulletin on Salt Spreader

A powered, stainless steel salt spreadwhich attaches to the rear of a dump body is described in a bulletin issued by Tarrant Mfg. Co., Jumel Court, Saratoga Springs, N. Y. The Scotchman is said to be capable of salting 20 miles of open highway in 48 minutes without reloading.

An impeller powered by a coman impeller powered by a com-pletely enclosed gasoline engine creates a stream of air which blows the salt particles in the desired pattern. The company points out that this method does not grind or beat the salt into

weless powder.
This literature may be obtained from the company, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 413.



This portable power unit, the Simplex, is used for lapping-in any reel-type mower—for shop or roadside use.

Mower Lapping Unit

A portable power unit for lapping-in any reel-type mower has been intro-duced by The Fate-Root-Heath Co., Lawnmower Sharpener Division, Plymouth. Ohio.

Used either in the shop or on the roadside, the Simplex can be coupled to the reel of a mower anywhere near a source of 110-volt power. Adjustable mower supports are provided, along with several sizes of reel shaft couplers and two grades of lapping compound. A reversing switch is provided to run the Simplex in either direction and the final-drive arm can be adjusted to any position from 3 to 163/4 inches above

The Simplex uses a 1/3-hp double-

shaft motor, and a grinding wheel or wire brush may be mounted on either shaft if desired. The drive reduction to 145 rpm is obtained through V-belts and pulleys. No gears are used. Belt tension is adjustable on both belts. The unit weighs 45 pounds and measures 20 x 10 x 14 inches high.

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Grader Attachment Digs Lateral Canal

The job of building a 27½-mile lateral canal to bring irrigation water to the lower Tule River area of California got under way on March 1, and is expected to be completed this summer. Madonna Construction Co., San Luis Obispo, has the contract, and the lateral canal, which supplants small irrigation ditches, some of them 50 years old, runs west from Friant-Kern Canal near Porterville.

The lateral canal is of earth construction with reinforced-concrete checks. The bottom varies from 8 to 12 feet in width and the depth from 6½ to 8 feet. The outer levee slope is 1 to 1 and the inner slope 1½ to 1. Madonna Construction is using two Caterpillar diesel No. 12 motor graders with DoMor elevating grader attachments; two No. 12 motor graders without the attachments; a Caterpillar D6 tractor and a rubber-tire roller; two D8 tractor-bulldozers; two D8's with LeTourneau scrapers; and three Terra Cobras.

The plan of operation the contractor follows is for a No. 12 motor grader to work right ahead of the DoMor-equipped grader. The No. 12 without the attachment "balances" the dirt and makes a degree of leveling so there will be no hills or holes in the path of the DoMorequipped grader. The latter is the star of the job, and builds the entire ditch right down to final grade, averaging 34 mile of canal per day. The other equipment is used to level, excavate for check sites, compact the levees, etc. The DoMors have cut through stumps up to 6 inches in diameter on the job, and have taken various levels of hardpan in their stride.

Centrifugal Pumps

Design changes in the I-R line of horizontal multistage centrifugal pumps for medium-pressure applications have been announced by Ingersoll-Rand, 11 Broadway, New York 4, N. Y. The Class CNTA are built in 1½, 2, 2½, and 3-inch sizes, and units are available with 4, 6, or 8 stages.

The pumps feature a horizontally split, smooth-bore cylindrical casing which contains the unit-type rotor assembly. This assembly is composed of shaft, impellers, and channel rings which contain the multiple-volute fluid passages. The entire rotor assembly is quickly and easily removed from and installed in the smooth-bore casing, since there are no mating ring fits or delicate alignment problems. Back-to-back grouping of the impellers neutralizes axial thrust developed by the pressure differential across each individual stage.

The interstage sealing method utilizes an alloy cast-iron or stainless-steel piston ring around the outer diameter of each channel ring. These hydraulic-type step-seal rings have a metal-to-metal fit with the casing and are automatically placed under the correct compression when the casing halves are bolted together. They are highly resistant to corrosion and unaffected by high temperatures, it is said.

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Ingersoll-Rand Class CNTA centrifugal pumps are built in 1½, 2, 2½, and 3-inch sizes and are available in 4, 6, or 8 stages.



A No. 12 motor grader with DoMor attachment digs the new lateral canal in the lower Tule River area of California. Ahead of it goes a No. 12 grader without attachment, to "balance" the earth.

Cast-in-Place Piles

A folder on Cobi cast-in-place concrete piles is distributed by Eastern Concrete Pile Co., Inc., 80 Boylston St., Boston, Mass. It illustrates how the piles are driven, poured, and tested. The corrugated spiral shell is driven by a pneumatic mandrel expanded with 125-psi pressure. The company points out that the piles screw themselves into the ground, resisting both settlement and uplift.

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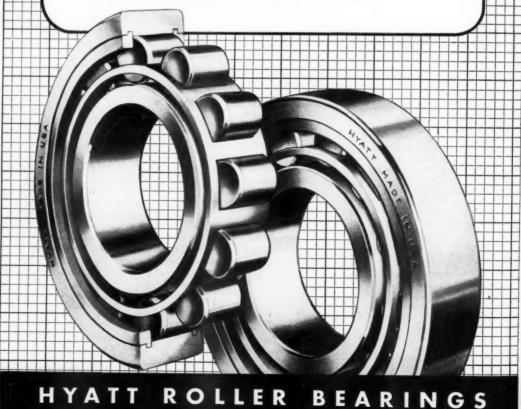
John Gray of Aurora, Ill., has been appointed a district sales representative of the Dayton Pump & Mfg. Co., Dayton, Ohio. In this position, he will be in charge of sales for the entire Rapidayton line of water systems in Illinois and parts of Iowa, Indiana, and Wisconsin.

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Flight of a Salesman

"The contractors and dealers I contact get a real kick out of seeing me on the same day they call", says Ralph Porter, Chicago Branch Manager for the Clarke Sanding Machine Co., Muskegon, Mich. Mr. Porter covers the major part of the state of Illinois for Clarke, and doing it at 115 mph in his 4-place F24 Fairchild plane combines business with pleasure for him and his sales assistant, Ray Thornhill—another flying enthusiast. Both men are licensed pilots.

Mr. Porter has removed the rear cabin seat of his plane so he can load and carry as many as three heavy floor machines on each trip. Not only is flying the quickest way to get new and repaired machines to their destination, he says, it's the best answer to an SOS from a contractor or dealer who is in a hurry to put a machine back in business. "Selling by flying" for Mr. Porter every time.

Treatment Reduces Concrete Absorption

An integral treatment for producing concrete with low absorption has been announced by The Master Builders Co., 7016 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio. Stearolith resists water because of its water-reducing cement-dispersing action, which lowers porosity. In addition, the water-repellent stearate lowers capillarity and absorption, and the reduction of total water content increases strength and reduces volume change and volume-change cracks. It is introduced into a concrete mix either dry or mixed with water in the proportion of 0.7 pound for each sack of portland cement.

Stearolith is used where concrete slabs on the ground are not subjected to hydrostatic pressure, such as in housing projects and other low-cost construction. It is said to reduce absorption to less than 2½ per cent for oven-dry specimens. Economic benefits are claimed for projects where specifications accept concrete with this as maximum absorption, in place of 6-inch stone or gravel fill covered with membrane waterproofing paper and plain concrete poured on this paper. Further information may be secured

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Ralph Porter, Clarke Sanding Machine Co.'s air-minded Chicago Branch Manager, transfers a new MV8 floor-sanding machine from his plane to the car of customer Ray Fingeld at the Streator, Ill., airport.

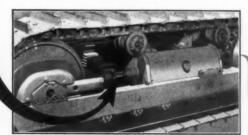
Koehring's New Subsidiary

Koehring Southern Co. is the name of a new subsidiary organized by Koehring Co., Milwaukee, Wis., manufacturer of power shovels and cranes, mixers, and allied machinery. Koehring Southern has purchased the Chattanooga, Tenn., plant of the Norge Division of Borg-Warner Corp., which consists of an 800 x 120-foot factory with a total of 100,000 square feet of floor space including auxiliary buildings. It will probably be early next year before Koehring Southern is in full operation. N. J. Decker, former Works Manager of the Parsons Co., another Koehring subsidiary, is supervising the installation of new machinery and will be in charge of the start of operations at the new plant.

Koehring Southern is Koehring Co.'s fifth subsidiary. The others are: Koehring Co. of California, Stockton, Calif.; C. S. Johnson Co., Champaign, Ill.; Parsons Co., Newton, Iowa; and Kwik-Mix Co., Port Washington, Wis.

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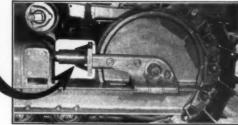
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Have Jets Outmoded Our Airfield Thinking?

Problem Is One of the Most Interesting the Engineering Profession Has Ever Faced: Research Under Way

By RAYMOND P. DAY

· HAS the jet airplane made modern airfield pavements obsolete?

If usual damage to pavements at our military fields where jets are based is any gage, the answer would seem to be affirmative. Blast patterns burned 2 inches deep and 30 feet long into the surface of asphaltic concrete are not unusual. Heat-melted joint material and thermal surface cracks in portlandcement-concrete pavements give mute testimony that new forces of destruction are at work on the modern airfield.

Compounding the problems raised by jet airplanes is the fact that rocket-assisted takeoffs, 250-mile-an-hour landings, and even atomic-powered airplanes can be expected to be with us on an ever-increasing scale. For the airplane has now reached a point of development where there is not even a theoretical upper limit to speed and al-

This development has outmoded at least some concepts of pavement design relating to wheel loading, shear stres heat resistance of aggregates, etc. And undoubtedly there are hosts of new problems. They're all tough. But they are some of the most interesting that the engineering profession has ever faced . . . and that it will ultimately solve, with proper research.

Speaking generally, the jets which damage pavements at contemporary fields have tailpipes set at an angle of about 12 degrees toward the ground. Even at idling speed, a blast of exhaust gas hotter than 400 degrees leaves the tailpipe at a speed of around 475 miles an hour. At military power the temperature jumps to about 775 degrees, with a velocity of 920 miles an hour. Let a navy pilot cut in an afterburner such as that service uses in its planes, and 1,800-degree temperatures with a blast velocity of 1,250 miles per hour can be expected. It is this terrific heat and blast which does the pavement

More Problems Coming

If these figures sound unbelievable, it should be considered what lies in the immediate future if the military plane is to continue to develop along lines of superior performance. According to officials of both North American Aviation and Boeing Aircraft Co., tailpipe blast velocities can be expected to reach over 2,000 miles an hour with temperatures of 3,500 degrees and over. Temperatures and blast at the point of pavement contact can be expected to be as high as 1,600 degrees, with a velocity of about 690 miles an hour.

Fuel spillage will suddenly be a terrific problem, because ground crews will have to handle rocket fuels like liquid oxygen, and other fuels which leave nitric-acid residues even after combustion. And the aeronautical laws governing high-speed wings will make for sharper tailpipe impingement angles, up to 20 degrees—thus it can be seen that the problems of the pavement de-

signer are just beginning.

America's security depends in large measure on the performance of her military aircraft. Obviously engineers must build fields for the planes, rather than the other way around, and find a way to solve the new problems

Work Under Way

Happily, excellent starts are being

made in this direction. At both the Waterways Experiment Station and the Ohio River Division laboratories of the Corps of Engineers, the effects of jet and rocket blasts are being studied. The Navy Civil Engineer Corps and the Bureau of Aeronautics are conducting

their own research. The U.S. Air Force at Wright Field is working with the problem. Data are slowly being gathered to help the designer build stronger, denser, more heat-resistant pavements. This is all to the good, because even though such data are likely to be insuf-ficient to overcome all the new problems as they develop, every bit of re-search and knowledge will help. It seems a certainty that airfield de-

signers are heading toward some form of ceramic pavement, especially in critical areas where tomorrow's planes will fuel, do maintenance testing, warm up, taxi, run-up, and take off. Whether these pavements can be built with as-phaltic or portland cement is now problematical; this much is known: certain aggregates are totally unfit for such

pavements.

Fuel damage, heat and blast, tiny streamlined wheels with touchdown pressures over 200,000 pounds: all these will of course continue to be a problem on airfields whose pavements were built originally for propeller-driven craft. It is possible that better-quality pave-ments will have to be built in the critical areas of these fields, and that some form of liaison between the engineers and ground crews will have to be established so that planes are serviced and run up only in these areas. More prompt and better maintenance methods will have to be developed.

Whatever the solutions are to this sudden new problem, the engineering profession must look upon it as the most

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challenging and interesting it has ever faced. It must realize that fields have to be built for the planes, and that aviation is on the threshold of a tremendous performance and power increase. With this attitude, engineers will solve the problem as they have solved many of mankind's problems before.

Power Steer Booster

An automatic compressed-air-operated power steer booster that provides ated power steer booster that provides easier steering of trucks, tractors, and heavy road-construction equipment is manufactured by Air-O-Matic Power Steer Corp., 24 Noble Court, N. W., Cleveland 13, Ohio.

The self-contained booster is constructed mainly of anodized aluminum.



Few fittings are needed to install this ower steer booster on trucks, tractors, etc. It is operated by com-

Few fittings are needed to install it on old or new vehicles, and no part of the steering mechanism needs to be altered or removed. One end of the booster is fastened to a stationary member of the vehicle: the other end is attached to a movable part of the steering linkage. Only one air line is needed. The device requires no oiling, and cannot jam or freeze, the manufacturer says. There are no reservoirs to fill, no pumps to replace, and no fluid to leak away

The rust and corrosion-resistant booster automatically assists as the driver turns the steering wheel. It is particularly helpful, according to the company, on construction jobs where the ground is soft and in sand or gravel The device can be adjusted from the vehicle instrument panel.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 547.

New Gurley Sales Manager

Daniel H. Harkness has been named Sales Manager for W. & L. E. Gurley, Troy, N. Y., manufacturer of engineer and scientific instruments. Mr. Harkness retains his post as Secretary.



One of the new Rapidayton multi-stage electric centrifugal jet pumps and some of its micro-smooth parts.

Pump Incorporates New Design Features

A new line of centrifugal pumps incorporating the Axial-Flow principle has been brought out by The Dayton Pump & Mfg. Co., 500 N. Webster St., Dayton, Ohio. Pump cases and diffusers of the Rapidayton electric water pump are precision-formed instead of cast to reduce friction. Impellers are dynamically balanced. All internal parts are made of bronze or stainless steel and cannot corrode. The new cartridge-type seal can be changed quickly and easily without pump disassembly and without disturbance to the piping. A special flange for the suction and pressure lines is said to permit speedy connection of the pump to well pipes.

The Rapidayton pumps are said to develop more pressure, do up to 20 per cent more work with the same horsepower, and deliver up to 2,500 gallons per hour. They are available with 1, 2, or 3 stages for deep wells and with 2 or 3 stages for shallow wells. Deep-well units for settings up to 200 feet offer two-pipe jet assemblies for wells offer two-pipe jet assemblies for wells 3½ inches or more in diameter, and single-pipe jet assemblies for 2, 2½, and 3-inch diameters. Shallow-well units are of the centrifugal type—jet assemblies are unnecessary. NEMA standard motors range from 1/3 to 2 hp for deep-well pumps and from ¾ to 2 hp for shallow-well pumps. The pump can be furnished with 28, 42, 82, 120, or 220-gallon pressure tanks and fittings

to make a complete water system.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 469.

Protective-Coatings Guide

A 44-page catalog on coatings for preventing corrosion, sealing out water, vaporsealing, and insulating is available from Insul-Mastic Corp. of America, 1141 Oliver Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. It describes the properties and uses of Gilsonite base protective coatings, caulking compounds, primers, and

membraning material. The catalog includes information on

special cork-filled coating which is said to perform the double function of preventing corrosion and insulating. It is recommended by the company for use in all atmospheric temperatures to prevent heat loss or to control con-Insul-Mastic densation. coatings are applied as thick as ½ inch and the insulating coating, ¼ to % inch thick. They are usually spray-

applied in one operation.

The catalog contains photographs of chemical vessels, equipment, and buildings which have been protected by Insul-Mastic coatings; it includes tests and laboratory reports; and gives de-

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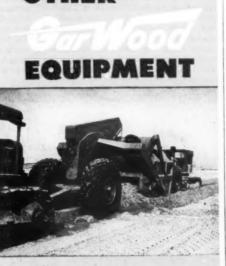
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Prestressed-Concrete Girders

By WILLIAM H. QUIRK, Editor

• THE old saying "It's an ill wind that blows no one good" might very well be applied to the shortage of structural steel that has plagued the country this year. That shortage boded well for the advocates of prestressed concrete, since it led to its use in building the first major elevated floor system in the United States. The innovation is incorporated in the new dining and assembly hall for Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart near Harrison, N. Y.

The Catholic college for women is moving its campus from the Bronx in New York City to what was once the estate of Ogden Reid at Harrison, Westchester County. The \$14,000,000 project is under construction on a 250-acre site by George A. Fuller Co., general contractor, according to a design by Eggers & Higgins, architect. Both firms have headquarters in New York City. Besides the dining and assembly

Elevated Floor System Supported on Six Prestressed-Concrete Girders; 65 Feet Long x 4 Feet Deep; No Steel Available

hall, other buildings to be readied for the September term included a dormitory, academic building, a library, and a power plant.

Decide for Prestressed Concrete

Originally plans called for structural-steel girders in the dining hall. But the contractor, the architect, and the structural engineers—Weiskof & Pickworth—were confronted with a situation where it was impossible to obtain an allocation of 72 tons of structural steel in time to meet the construction schedule of this nondefense project. In the structural design six girders were required to support the 65 x 132-foot elevated floor system of the assembly hall which is above the dining hall on the main floor. Columns were eliminated from the design in conformity with the wishes of the owner, so the six steel girders were designed to

cover a span of 65 feet. Their depth would have been $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet with fire-proofing.

Reinforced concrete was discussed, but this type of design would have required 40 tons of steel rods. A new and taller building would also have had to be designed to provide sufficient ceiling height under the beams which would have had to be 6 feet deep to carry the floor of the assembly hall, and also to serve as the ceiling of the dining room.

In face of these facts relating to both structural steel and reinforced concrete, the decision was made to use prestressed-concrete girders. The Preload Co., Inc., of New York City, a consulting engineering firm which specializes in prestressed design, was commissioned to go to work. A six-girder design was established, with each member 65 feet long x only 4 feet deep.

Only slightly deeper than the girders called for in the original structural-steel designs, the prestressed members use 8.08 tons of steel as against the 72 tons of the structural girders—a saving of 89 per cent, or nearly 64 tons of this critical material.

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The Design

Girders are designed to carry a live load of 100 pounds per square foot, a dead load (the weight of the floor deck and flooring) of 122 pounds per square foot, and their own weight of 28 tons cast in place. The top flange is 30 inches wide x 10 inches thick; the bottom flange is 20 inches wide x 7 inches thick; and the web is 8 inches thick. The girders are spaced on 18-foot centers, and support a conventional reinforced-concrete floor slab. The ceiling for the floor below is hung from the girders.

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Girders were prestressed in two stages: first to provide for the support of their own dead weight and part of

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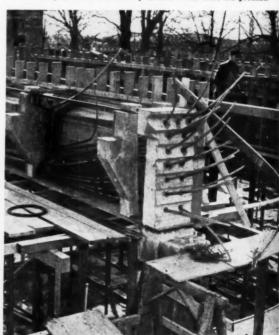
1. A precast bracket is lowered onto the formwork for one of the six prestressed-concrete beams that will support the floor system of the Manhattanville College assembly hall.



Workmen position the bracket. Nine of these brackets, two end anchorages, and the necessary anchor comes were all precast.



 Twelve-wire cables in steel-tube sheaths are now placed in the formwork, of which only the bottom an one side have so far been erected. Fifteen of the 22 cables run the full girder length.



 The remaining 7 cables sweep up before the ends and emerge from the top flange. The beam is shown ready for secondary reinforcement.

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the applied permanent load, then to provide for the support of the remainder of the permanent load and the live load. The secondary prestressing was done after the floor slab was laid. Each of the girders is prestressed by 22 cables, with each cable consisting of 12 high-tensile steel galvanized wires 0.196 inch in diameter. The pull which Preload Co.'s prestressing hydraulic jack exerted on each cable was 26 tons. In the first stage the prestressing was In the first stage the prestressing was accomplished by stressing 10 cables in each girder; in the second stage, by stressing the remaining 12.

Of the 22 cables, 15 run the full length of the girder and are anchored

at the precast end blocks. The remaining 7 sweep up before the ends are reached, and emerge from the top flange at about a 30-degree angle. The latter are anchored in a V-shaped recess in the top flange so that the bearing plate is perpendicular to the line of stress in the cable. The 12 highstrength steel wires in each cable are spaced around a 3/4-inch spring core,

and are contained in a 11/4-inch steeltube sheath.

Construction

Parts of the girders were precast in order to obtain the exceptionally high strength which they require, and also to avoid the necessity of erecting the complicated forms for them at the construction site. High-early-strength cement was used in the concrete, which attained a 5,000-psi rating after 7 days. For each girder, two end anchorages, nine intermediate keystone-shaped brackets, and the necessary anchor cones were all precast.

The end anchorages have 15 holes

through which the full-length cables are drawn. The intermediate blocks or brackets carry on their flanges the reinforced-concrete beams on which the floor system rests. The latter are set on 8-foot centers in the wooden forms in which the girders are cast.

In general, the construction of the

girders adhered to the following sequence of operations, although some

steps were carried on concurrently:
1. Precasting of end anchorages, anchor cones, and brackets.

Fabricating the 12-wire prestress-

Erecting formwork and placing the precast members, prestressing steel and standard steel-a small amount of web and temperature reinforcement.

Pouring the main portion of the girder with 5,000-psi concrete.

5. First-stage prestressing and grouting of cables after the concrete attained the strength required.

Pouring the floor system which rests on the girders.

Second-stage prestressing and grouting of cables.

Prestressing reached a maximum of 150,000 psi, but after losses the final stress was 120,000 psi. Total prestressing was 460 tons. The girders were cast in place instead of being prefabricated, in order to eliminate the heavy equipment needed to lift them into position. Ready-mix concrete was delivered to the site, discharged into buckets, and

raised to the forms by a P&H crawler crane. The crane also handled the precast members.

The Manhattanville College project marks the first time in this country it is believed, in which girders were poured in place and prestressed in two stages. Work on the prestressing part of the job started in January and was completed in April.

According to Theory

The Manhattanville girders conform to the accepted theory of prestressed design: that undesirable stresses in a load-carrying structure can be eliminated by introducing into it artificial stresses which are directly opposed to those to which the structure will be subjected when the load is imposed. In this construction, as noted, the principle is applied by drawing high-tensile steel wires through the concrete girders under such extreme tension the concrete is always endowed with ample compression to counteract any

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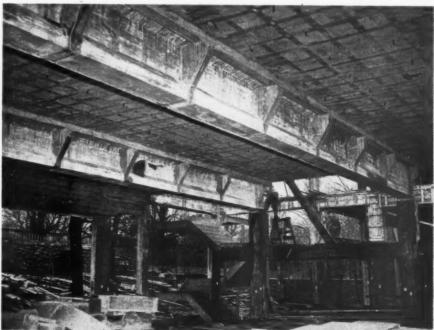


First-stage prestressing of 10 cables takes place when the girders have been poured in place and attained their required strength.



d-stage prestressing of the remaining 12 cables takes place when the floor that rests on the has been poured. Here wires stick up through the assembly-hall floor, ready for prestressing.





Mere is the underside of the assembly-hall floor, showing the prestressed girders. Note how brackets carry on their flanges the reinforced-concrete beams which support the floor slab.

Prestressed Girders Substitute for Steel

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anticipated tension load.

This particular achievement highlights a distinctive phenomenon of prestressed concrete—that a structural member made predominately of concrete obtains the same load-carrying capacity as a structural-steel member, but with only a slight increase, about 7% per cent, in depth. This is because concrete, in itself, although it has great strength in compression, which literally pushes it together, has little resistance to tension stresses, which act to pull it apart and cause it to crack—while steel's best quality is its high tensile strength.

Since it was introduced in this country eighteen years ago, prestressed concrete has been used chiefly in the construction of huge tanks, pressure pipe, and bridges. In Europe, however, it has been employed extensively in floor systems and other elements of building frames, where high cost makes short supply, in effect, the normal status of structural steel.

Waterproofing Powder

Builders and architects who use lightweight insulating aggregates in their roof decks, walls, ceilings, or floors can now get a water-resistant finish with insulating properties, claims American Fluresit Co., 4011 Red Bank Road, Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

Adding Fluresit to the mix, it is claimed, prevents capillary wicking of moisture into the hardened concrete, and thus minimizes heat loss through floors, walls, or ceilings. The manufacturer also states that on floor slabs integrally waterproofed with the powder there will be no loosening or buckling of asphalt tile or linoleum, no saponification, blistering, or peeling of paints. The powder can be used in all portland-cement mixes. According to the manufacturer, it reduces the surface tension of the water, promotes the hydration reaction, increases the yield, and improves the workability without decreasing the strength of concrete.

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A Half-Track Crane

A one-man operated crane mounted on a half-track is made by Zeligson Truck & Equipment Co., P. O. Box 5008, Tulsa 16, Okla. It has a full 360degree swing, and a powered boom and load line. Powered by a 160AX White engine, it will swing, raise or lower the load line, and raise or lower the boom simultaneously. Rubber tracks permit highway travel.

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The Eeligson half-track crane is operated by one man and has a 360-degree swing. It is powered by a White engine.

Davey Export Subsidiary

Davey International, Inc., is the name of a newly formed subsidiary of Davey Compressor Co., Kent, Ohio. The new company, which will handle export sales of Davey air compressors and truck equipment in the western hemisphere, will operate in Central and South America, Mexico, and the West Indies. Heavy-duty power takeoffs for trucks, portable light and power units, mobile machine shops, and field service units are other items the company will handle.

F. C. Kieser, for the past three years Export Manager of Davey Compressor Co., is Sales Manager of Davey International, Inc.

High-Tensile-Steel Prestressing Bars

High-tensile alloy-steel bars for use in prestressed-concrete construction are manufactured by Stressteel Corp., 211 E. 37th St., New York 16, N. Y. Stressteel comes in lengths up to 80 feet and in diameters from ½ to 1½ inches. It has an ultimate stress of 145,-000 psi. End anchorage is provided by a tapered thread which engages a nut. The nut, with steel bearing plate, is said to develop 100 per cent of the ultimate strength.

The company points out that even on small-span structures the use of bars instead of wire can reduce prestressing and anchoring costs. On a new bridge project, the company reports, 6,534 units of Stressteel were used, compared to an estimated 52,272 strands of wire. Placing, stressing, and anchoring the bars takes between 25 to 45 man-hours per ton, as against 130 to 150 for wire, the manufacturer claims.

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When unbonded prestressing is specified, the bars are coated with mastic, wrapped in paper, and positioned in the form. For bonded prestressing, the bars are either housed in a flexible metallic sheath or in holes in the concrete made by rubber tubing. Grout is injected around the bars. Tensioning is done with a hydraulic jack.

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Power Sod Cutter With Vibrating Blade

A self-propelled sod cutter said to be capable of cutting up to 1½ acres of sod per day is made by Frank Phillips, 619 S. 15th St., Lafayette, Ind. An 8-hp Briggs & Stratton engine moves the ma-chine at a walking pace while the vibrating blade cuts both sides and under the sod. The blade moves back and forth at over 1,000 rpm shearing off strips of sod up to 16 inches wide. A suillotine-type blocker cuts off the trip at any predetermined length. The mit weighs 700 pounds and will cut to 2 inches deep.

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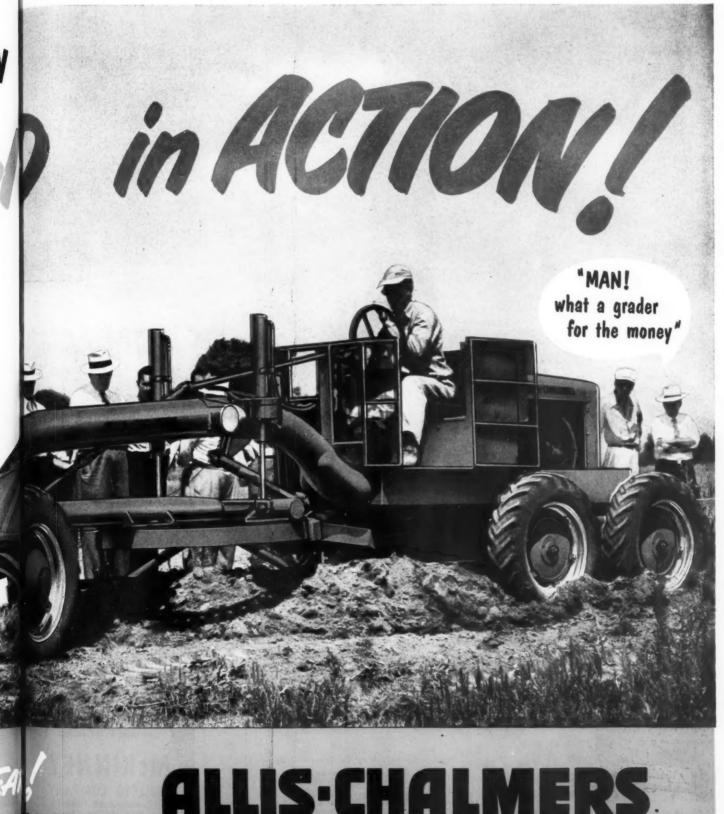
The Phillips power sod cutter moves along at a walking pace and can cut up to 114 acres of sod per day. It weighs 700 pounds and cuts 34 to 2 inches deep.

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Broadside on Track Roller

A track roller with one-piece shell A track roller with one-piece shell is the subject of a broadside prepared by Craig Carroll Co., 1704 S. E. 22nd Ave., Portland 15, Oreg. A cam-activated pump in each pressure roller forces oil to all bearing surfaces and every revolution of the roller shell pumps lubricants to all bearings. The Flow-Away principle passes a small amount of lubricant out past the seals, keeping out dirt and abrasives.

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New Flashing Lanterns

A safety red flashing lantern for use in all Class 1, Group D hazardous locations, as well as other spots requiring a warning or marking light, has been introduced by The Justrite Mfg. Co., 2061 N. Southport Ave., Chicago, Ill.

The portable battery-powered Model 2146-S houses a red lens and a sliding switch assembly controlling two bulbs. One position of the switch produces a steady red beam, which can be instantly changed to a flashing red light merely by moving the switch.

Additional safety features of the lantern include a kick-out bulb socket which eliminates the danger of explosions in the event of a broken bulb, heavy wire guard which protects the globe against breakage, sparkproof construction of all protruding parts, and a movable mounting base which makes the beam adjustable to any desired angle. In addition, it has the approval of Underwriters Laboratories, Merchant Marine Technical Division. Blinking



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Moving a switch changes this Justrite safety lantern from a steady to a flashing red beam.

power of the 2146-S lantern is good for over 52 hours of continual burning.

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Data on Cable-Reel Jacks

A 2-page bulletin on jacks for lifting and holding heavy cable reels is issued by The Duff-Norton Mfg. Co., Preble Ave., Pittsburgh 30, Pa. The jacks are available in 5, 10, and 15-ton capacities and handle cable reels from 20 to 90 inches in diameter.

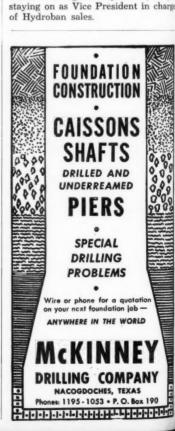
The bulletin illustrates and describes a three-hook ratchet reel jack mounted on an oak T-frame base, ratchet jacks with multiple and adjustable hooks, and screw-type reel jacks with steel A-frame bases. It also describes jacks for pulling and straightening poles without digging.

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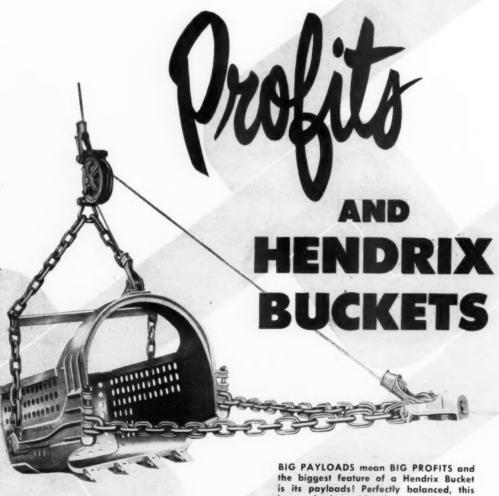
This literature may be obtained from the company by requesting Bulletin AD-26, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 464.

Central Paint Buys Hydroban

Central Paint & Varnish Works, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., has bought the controlling interest in Hydroban, Inc., manufacturer of a primer, sealer, and water repellent for use in the building industry. Henry G. Voorhis, who was General Manager of Hydroban, Inc., is staying on as Vice President in charge of Hydroban sales.



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Scholarship Winners Named

Ten prospective civil engineers have received \$1,000 scholarships and the opportunity to attend any one of 125 ac-credited colleges in the country offer-ing a degree in civil engineering. These high-school graduates, representing 24 states, were selected the winners of the American Institute of Steel Construction's third scholarship program. They were chosen from a group of 80 high-school seniors nominated by 48 steelfabricating companies throughout the

The winners and their sponsoring The winners and their sponsoring companies are: Mark Cohen, Grand Iron Works, Inc., New York, N. Y.; Eugene Erwin, Fort Smith Structural Steel Co., Fort Smith, Ark.; Jerry A. Fulk, Mississippi Valley Structural Steel Co., Decatur, Ill.; Ronald A. Massa, Schacht Steel Construction, Inc., Millside, N. J. Frank M. Newcomb. Hillside, N. J.; Frank M. Newcomb,

Gate City Steel Works, Omaha, Nebr.; Edward S. Perry, Dreier Structural Steel Co., Inc., Long Island City, N. Y.; Donald J. Ross, John E. Cox Co., Inc., Fall River, Mass.; George J. Strom, Schrader Iron Works, San Francisco, Calif; Kenneth B. Wiesner, Stupp Bros. Bridge & Iron Co., St. Louis, Mo.; and Donald Wintringer, August Feine & Sons Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Bulletin on Trencher

A 4-page bulletin on a wheel-type digging unit for drainage and utility trenching is issued by Parsons Co., Box 431, Newton, Iowa. It describes the Model 202 Trenchliner, a fully crawler-

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Electric Spray Gun

An improved all-metal electric gun with adjustable spray has been introduced by Champion Implement Corp., 175 E. 87th St., New York, N. Y. The trigger-type Champion has a high-speed electric pumping device which is said to deliver over 90 pounds of pres sure at 7,200 strokes per minute. No compressor is needed. The gun may be used for spraying paints, chemicals, oils, insecticides, etc.

The self-contained gun is made of stainless steel, is easily cleaned, and will not clog, the company says. has a vibrator motor in the balanced handle, and a 25-ounce flint glass jar and U/L-approved 8-foot cord are supplied with every model. It uses ac current; 110-volt light socket.

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Euclid Board Elections

At recent elections to the Board of Euclid Road Machinery Co., Cleveland, Ohio, Stewart F. Armington, formerly Vice President, was named Chairman in

succession to his father, G. A. Armington. The latter was elected Honorary Chairman after serving as Chairman since the formal incorporation of the company in 1931.

Other elections are: G. E. Armington, Vice President, Engineering, in place of Stewart Armington; Hugh T. Mon-

Vice President, Manufacturi son, son, Vice President, Manuactura, E. H. Newby, Vice President, Controller. Re-elections include: R. Q. Armington, President; E. F. Armington, Vice President, Sales, and Secretary; and J. L. Hinckley, Treasure Last year's company directors were neelected for the coming year.

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Dipper-Type Dredge Makes Harbor Deeper

A Million-Yard Contract Extends 40-Foot Depth to the Head Of Boston Harbor; 14-Yard Bucket Digs Into Clay Bottom

(Photo on page 1)

· A SIGNIFICANT part of the general improvement of Boston Harbor, Mass., was the recent extension of the 40-foot channel from Commonwealth Pier No. 1 to the head of harbor at the mouth of the Mystic and Chelsea Rivers. This section, 6,500 feet long x approximately section, 0,500 feet long x approximately
650 feet wide, was deepened from 35
to 40 feet by the Great Lakes Dredge
& Dock Co. of Chicago, Ill. The job
was handled from the New York City
office, Atlantic Division of the dredging firm under an \$812,050 contract awarded by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England Division. Work got under way in April, 1951, and was finished last November, several months ahead of schedule.

The 40-foot main channel into Boston Harbor begins out in Broad Sound, ton Harbor begins out in Broad Sound, he gateway to the sea, and extends past the anchorage in President Roads and on into the inner harbor. After passing between U. S. Navy Drydock No. 3 and Logan Airport, the deep channel reaches the big piers of downtown Boston on the west and Common-wealth Pier No. 1 of East Boston on the opposite shore. Above that point the depth formerly lessened to 35 feet, but the new dredging project now as sures 40 feet of water the entire length

of the main ship channel. Deep water 8 miles in from the ocean will permit the biggest vessels to reach the reconstructed Hoosac Piers and the new Mystic Pier No. 1 built by the Port of Boston Authority just above the U. S. Navy Yard at Charlestown. The dredging contract contained the single item 1,100,000 cubic yards; and of this total about 5 per cent was sand, 20 per cent was bottom mud, and the remaining 75 per cent was the soft blue clay that is common to all of Boston

A Dipper-Dredge Job

To deepen this portion of the channel 5 feet, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co. brought to the job the Crest, one of the biggest dipper-type dredges in the country, equipped with a 14-yard bucket. Because of the great length of its spuds, 85 feet, the section of channel over the Sumner vehicular tunnel connecting Boston and East Boston was done by a smaller dredge under a subcontract to the Bay State Dredging Co. of East Boston.

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Bay State used its No. 4 dredge working with a 5-yard clamshell bucket and powered by steam; its hull is $84 \ \text{feet long} \times 34 \ \text{feet wide}$. The No. 4dredged a 100-foot-wide swath over the tunnel, 50 feet from the center line on each side. It also handled a 1,000-foot section at the lower end of the im-provement from Commonwealth Pier north. Total excavating done by the



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subcontractor amounted to about 130 .-

The rest of the contract, dredged by the Crest, was divided into six sections. the longest being 2,700 feet at the north or upper end of the harbor. The maximum cut or bank depth was 10 feet, which usually occurred along the outer limits of the channel. But the average depth of cut into the harbor bottom was 6½ feet. While the contract called for a 40-foot depth at mean low water, a 2-foot overdepth was allowed and paid for. Usually the contractor



Side view of the dredge Crest on the Boston Harbor job

preferred to dredge to a 43-foot depth, even if he did not get paid for that last foot, rather than be forced to return for redredging to a location that was shy the required depth.

Dredge Crest

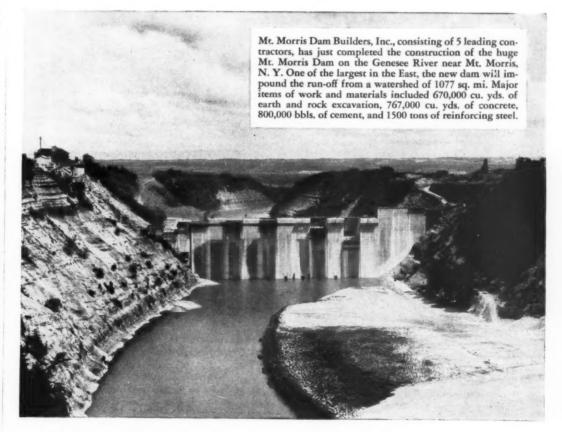
In 1926 the Bucyrus Co. of South

Milwaukee, Wis., built the Crest for the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co. This dipper-type dredge uses buckets from 10 to 16 yards in size; the 10 and 12-yard buckets work in rock and hard material; the 14-yard bucket, as on this job, is good in clay; while the big

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16-yard bucket is well suited for softer materials like mud, sand and gravel, and cobbles. On some jobs the Crest has dredged in 74 feet of water, using an 8-yard bucket with a 90-foot stick or handle. Either Bucyrus or Amsco buckets are employed, and dipper handles are available in 60, 67, 77, and 90-foot lengths. On the Boston project the 77-foot stick sufficed; it is made of cast steel and was built in two sections.

Weighing 1,059 gross tons, the Crest has a steel hull 167 feet long x 48 feet wide x 14 feet in depth, and has a timber belting around the sides. Above the hull is a wooden deck house, deep red in color with white trim, containing quarters for the crew. A full complement of 41 permits round-the-clock work in three 8-hour shifts. The Crest worked 24 hours a day, six days a week, with the seventh day used for

overhaul and any repairs that wen needed.

Looming up at the bow of the dredge is the 70-foot A-frame supporting the 65-foot boom through which the dipper stick slips back and forth. The three spuds are of impressive size, being 51 inches square and 85 feet long, and weighing about 60 tons. The two forward spuds, port and starboard, move in wells at the sides of the hull close to the bow, while the third is a trailing-type spud located in a slot at the center of the stern. All are made of steel; the starboard spud is cast, while the port and stern spuds are fabricated. Other spuds up to 101 feet in length are part of the equipment of the dredge.

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Diesel-Electric Power

A transverse bulkhead across the hull of the dredge gives to the engine room at the stern more than half the length of the vessel. Here is the source of the diesel-electric power that runs the Crest. Along each side are the twin Fairbanks-Morse 6-cylinder 720-hp 2-cycle diesel engines, each driving three General Electric generators from a common shaft. The first and also the largest generator behind each engine is a 225-kw unit. These two main generators run a pair of 250-hp motors, coupled together on a main shaft, that operate the bucket hoist on the dipper.

operate the bucket hoist on the dipper. Second in line are 100-kw generators the one on the port side operating a 100-hp motor for the thrust or crowding action of the dipper stick, while the starboard unit serves the 100-hp swing motor. The last two generators are rated at 75 kw, and supply current for lighting and the various service or auxiliary motors for winches, pumps, etc. The master switchboard is at the forward end of the engine room, along the transverse bulkhead.

In between the main engines is a Fairbanks-Morse 2-cylinder 120-hp 2-cycle diesel standby for use when the dredge is not at work and the big twin diesels are idle. This smaller unit actuates a generator that delivers current for lights and small motors. In addition, for any emergency, there are two small Fairbanks-Morse 7½-hp diesels that would take over if the standby engine failed. They are located on each side of the engine-room companion-way. Direct current is used throughout At the rear of the engine room is a 120-hp oil-burning boiler for heating the dredge.

Operating Gear

Forward of the engine room is the compartment housing the operating gear and a complete machine shop. A Brownhoist overhead crane, moving or rails supported by I-beams on each side, serves both sections of the hull. The machine shop is equipped with lathe, shaper, drill press, emery wheel and power beginning to the state of the state of the section of the state of the section of

and power hacksaw.

Dominating this end of the dredge is the large Bucyrus winding gear, with the two main hoist motors on each side of it to the rear. Forward of that is the swing motor. On the main hoist are two 2%-inch cables on a single drum; the forward spuds have double 2-inch cables; the one stern spud has a single 2-inch cable; and the swing cable is 1½ inches in diameter. Cables of 1¾ inches and % inch are alwoused. The wire rope was supplied both by American Steel & Wire and by Roebling.

The Crest has tanks of 55,000-gallon capacity for diesel fuel, and in an average month of operation on this job consumed 37,000 gallons of Esso 2ll Socony-Vacuum lubricating oil and greases were used, the average monthly requirements being 500 gallons of oil and 500 pounds of grease. A closed system of cooling with fresh water in turn cooled by sea water through a heat exchanger. For domestic use the dredge

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Let's Call Wire Rope Constructions

by their Right Names!

This is a message of importance to every user and purchaser of wire rope. It is information that will help eliminate much of the past confusion over wire rope terminology.

How did this confusion arise? Let's illustrate briefly. For years 6 x 19 has been just a name for a variety of six-strand ropes, few of which actually have 19 wires per strand. As an example, our popular 6 x 19 W has always contained 25 wires per strand; the 6 x 19 U, 21 wires per strand. The 6 x 19 Seale, on the other hand, really does have 19 wires in each of its strands. Until recently, the letter or name following the numbers denoted the actual construction; but many users did not know this, and the omission of these symbols occasionally resulted in costly misapplications.

To clarify matters in the various classes of rope, Bethlehem has revised the entire list of misleading designations. For instance, in the

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6 x 25 Type W

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6 x 19 Seale







Of these three ropes, Scale is the only one with 19 wires a strand. Yet for years all three types have been known as 6×10^{-5} . This is not an isolated case. Similar instances occur in other classifications of rope.

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Dredging the Bottom

When the dredge is working, all three spuds are down. The Crest on this job dug to the required depth in cuts 35 feet wide and about 15 feet in length before moving ahead. As the bucket is about 25 feet ahead of the hull at the start of a bite, soundings are taken off the bow to check on the work that has just been done. If shoals are discovered, the dredge moves back and removes them before leaving that spot. When going forward, the two forward spuds are raised and the bucket is thrown shead to pull the dredge along as the stern spud is trailing. With its bucket anchored on the bottom, the dredge can thus move forward or backward or the sides as needed.

Ranges on shore keep the craft on the proper course. The high towers of the new Mystic River Bridge and landmarks in the Charlestown Navy Yard served as markers for sextant angle



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William Wilson, Corps of Engineers Inspector, keeps the dredge on the ranges with a sextant angle shot.

shots. Points were lighted for night work.

From a control house forward on the top deck, the operator swings the turntable on which the long boom revolves for placing a bucket of dredged material into the waiting scow. A cranes man down on the turntable in a small deck house trips the bucket and watches carefully the grade being dredged. With an average 9.4 feet mean range of tide at this location in the upper harbor, the dredge had to dig at a maximum depth of 43 plus 9.4 or 52.4 feet when the tide was high.

At the stern of the upper deck is another small house from which one

of the mates operates the rear spud as the occasion warrants. All key points on the dredge are hooked up with a Flexifone communication system, and loud speakers are spotted around so that orders can be given to the accompanying dump scows. In addition the dredge is equipped with a Radiomarine ship-to-shore telephone, as are the tugs and towboats.

Spoiling the Material

Two bottom-dump steel-hull scows, averaging 1,500 cubic yards a load, moved the dredged material taken from the channel to spoil areas in the harbor. Two such sites had been selected by the Corps of Engineers, and the dumping was under its supervision.
One site, known as the Bird Island Flats, was along the west side of Logan

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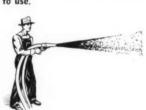
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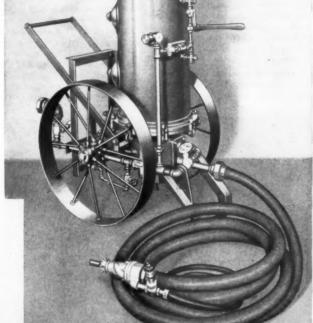
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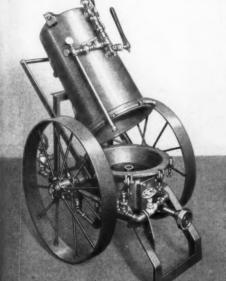
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Airport where 32 feet of water was being filled in to a 15-foot depth. Average one-way haul from the project to this dump was one mile, and the round trip with a scow took about an hour.

Winthrop dump, the other spoil area, was off the southeast end of the airport, and 5 miles from the job site. A round trip to this point was more than 2½ hours in time. The same grade was held, meaning that dumping was not allowed when the depth of water was 15 feet or less. While one scow was being loaded, the other was on its way to be dumped. Average time required to load one of these scows was 3½ hours.

Scows were towed by the Charles E. Trout, an 80-foot tug powered by a GM 750-hp diesel engine. The Dark, a larger tug, towed the Crest to this job in Boston Harbor. Personnel and supplies were moved between dredge and dock by the A. H. Downs, a 53-foot launch driven by a Wolverine H. D. 100-hp diesel engine.

Personnel

As a section of the channel, 650 feet wide x 40 feet in depth, was completed, a final survey was made on which payment to the contractor was based. The Crest averaged 9,000 cubic yards of material in a 24-hour day. Its complement of 41 included the captain, an assistant captain, chief engineer, 3 assistant engineers, 3 operators, 3 cranesmen, 8 oilers, 3 mates, 9 deck hands, 4 scow men, 3 cooks, and 2 mess boys.

The Charles E. Trout for its roundthe-clock work used a crew of 17 that took in 3 captains, 3 chief engineers, 3 oilers, 6 deck hands, a cook, and mess boy. On the A. H. Downs, the crew totaled 6—a captain and deck hand for each of the three shifts.

each of the three shifts. In an average month the Trout required 13,000 gallons of diesel fuel, 400 gallons of lubricating oil, and 35 pounds of grease. The smaller A. H. Downs used up in that same time 1,500 gallons of diesel fuel, 52 gallons of lubricating oil, and 25 pounds of grease.

For the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock

For the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co., Captain Frank Hunt is Master of the Crest and Walter Pike is the Chief Engineer.

William Wilson was Inspector on the improvement dredging in Boston Harbor for the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers is headed by Col. H. J. Woodbury, Division Engineer.

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Bulletin on 4-Rope Buckets

Users of overhead or bridge-type cranes with 4-rope bucket trolleys will be interested in a 44-page bulletin issued by Blaw-Knox Co., P. O. Box 1198,

Pittsburgh 30, Pa. It lists ten items of information to include when requesting prices and specifications of buckets.

There are numerous illustrations of bulk-material handling, with performance data and comparisons of cargo dispatch and discharging vessels, barges, and railroad cars. There is also infor-

mation on 4-rope bucket types, reeving, arrangement of cables for various types of cranes, and cable life as influenced by sheave diameter. AUG

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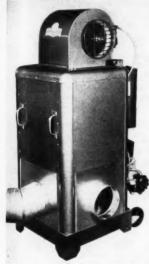
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A Panel Attachment For Space Heaters

Production of special side panels for the Model PW-189 heater to permit its operation with warm-air ducts is announced by Fageol Heat Machine Co., 5725 Mt. Elliott Ave., Detroit 11, Mich.

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Handbook of Fundamentals

The second edition of the widely used "Handbook of Engineering Fundamentals" by O. W. Eshbach has been published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y. The book contains 1,322 pages and includes 819 illustrations.

The first edition was prepared to embody in a single volume those fundamental laws and theories of science basic to engineering practice. The new edition has not changed the scope or objective of the first, but has made many changes in each section.

The engineering tables were enlarged to include structural sizes for aluminum and data on tangents and offsets. In the mathematical section, greater stress has been placed on statistics, vector analysis, and determinants. The subject of electricity has been completely rewritten, the theory being presented in the MKS system of units.

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larger than the first edition and has a new section on aerodynamics. It has a semiflexible binding and is priced at \$10.00.

Data on Portable Vibrator

A wheelbarrow-type generator plant with receptacles for two vibrators and two 600-watt lights is covered by Catalog No. 992 distributed by Master Vibrator Co., 108 Davis Ave., Dayton 1, Ohio.

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The contractor, Poppenberger & Sons, St. Paul, used Waco scaffolding. In six hours two men put up 25 towers—each consisting of two 4-foot 6-inch end frames with pivoted cross braces topped with a 4-foot frame—then covered the scaffolding with 2 x 6-inch planking. This gave a comfortable ceiling height of 6 feet 1 inch for the plasters to work on. The whole plastering job took only seven working days.

Color-Code Hose Line

from 18 different types into 5 basic types is announced by Thermoid Co., 400 Whitehead Road, Trenton, N. J. Features of the new line include rayon of cotton, and new tubes of both natural and synthetic rubber. Each type has a distinctive cover color, coded according to applications, to prevent confusion in stocking and use.

The hose handles pressures from 125 to 800 psi. Various types carry air, water, oil, gasoline, butane, propane, and steam. They may also be used for welding, agricultural spraying, and

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Data on Underwater Pumps

A catalog on a line of underwater pumps is issued by Lancaster Pump & Mfg. Co., Inc., Manheim Pike, Lancaster, Pa. It illustrates the Type D which comes in a number of sizes and has either single or 3-phase motors ranging from 0.8 to 35 hp. Sizes up to 250 hp are available on special order.

The multistage centrifugal pump above the motor has balanced bronze impellers and guide channels. The pump body is of cast iron. Type D submers ibles are water-filled, water-cooled, and water-lubricated. Copper windings covered with waterproof and non-aging polyethylene eliminate the sealing tube

usually needed to keep water from entering the motor stator.

The catalog explains that the pump are noiseless, require no pump house are always primed, and require no lubrication. Complete performant curves are included.

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Macwhyte Elects Wilder

As a result of the death of Jessel S. Whyte, President of Macwhyte Co. Kenosha, Wis., wire-rope manufac-turer, a special meeting of the Board of Directors was held to elect a successor. The post went to George C Wilder, formerly Vice President and Assistant General Manager, who is also named Director to fill the unexpired term of the late Mr. Whyte. Mr. Wilder joined Macwhyte in 1938

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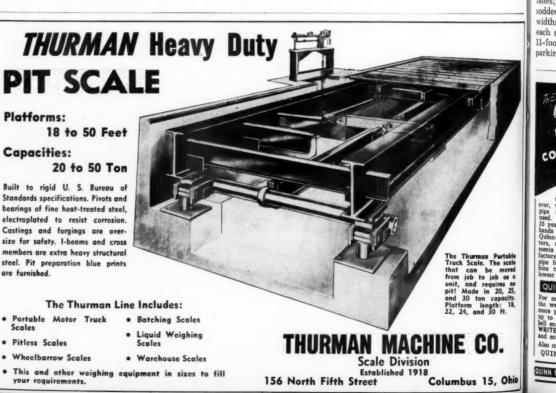
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Contractor Removes Old Pavement, Regrades, and Widens To Accommodate Six Lanes of PC Concrete

 OKLAHOMA CITY is going to have some first-class main thoroughfares, judging by the recently completed 13th and Lottie Street improvement. Boecking Construction Co. of Oklahoma City held the \$516,000 contract.

The OK State is booming and with it its capital city. Population is increasing. Industry is moving into the area to take advantage of the climate and labor market. The city government recognized the demand for more and better facilities and in 1950 voted \$36,000,000 for public works. The 13th and Lottie Street project represents an important part of the \$6,000,000 bond issue for street improvement.

The improvement project covers two streets—northeast 13th Street and Lottie—which intersect at a right angle but constitute a main southwest route into the downtown area. Indirectly they tie in with U. S. 62, 77, and 270, and Oklahoma Route 3. They also serve Oklahoma's principal medical center which will include a new 500-bed VA hospital now under construction.

Alternate Bids

To obtain the best bid possible, the consultants designed alternates of hot-mix and portland-cement concrete for the pavement and for some details. Boecking got the contract, on its \$516,-000 low bid, for portland-cement-concrete paving. Unit bid on the 7-inch P-C concrete paving was \$3.15 per square yard.

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Truck mixers chute concrete in front of a Jaeger-Lakewood finisher on the Boecking street-improvement job in Oklahoma City.

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6 inches high above the pavement, 6 inches wide at the top, and 8 inches wide at the base. The edges have a 2-inch radius

The longitudinal dummy joints are Kapco tongue-and-groove, premolded, deformed, bituminous, center strips with ½-inch-round 30-inch-long deformed bars spaced 30 inches on centers. A 1/2-inch-round longitudinal bar is placed directly under the curbs for

edge reinforcement. Contraction joints occur every 20 feet; expansion joints every 100 feet. Star Lug load-transfer units nailed to redwood board form the joints. They are set 15 inches apart along a 3/4 x 11/2-inch board at the contraction joints and 19 inches apart on a $\frac{34}{4} \times \frac{51}{2}$ -inch board at the expansion joints. The expansion-joint slot is filled

with Careylastic sealing compound.

New sidewalks were also included in the contract. They are 4-inch concrete, 5 feet wide, with a ¼ to 12-inch slope toward the gutter. Joints are cut every 5 feet. Every 50 feet a ½ to 3½-inch Kapco board is installed as an expansion joint. The slot is filled with Carey-lastic. New 6-inch concrete driveways were taken in as far as the sidewalks.

Other work included replacement or installation of new sewers, water lines, and signal-light conduits. Private utility lines were replaced or moved by the companies' crews. All trenches on this work were backfilled with an A-2 soil compacted to 95 per cent modified

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Boecking crews started to work August, 1951. The first job was breaking out the 30-year-old patched and repatched pavement. It was an asphalt concrete, 6 to 9 inches thick, cracked and full of chuck holes. The first thin they did was to make neat slices at the intersections and drives so the break-out would be smooth and eve at the edges. A new Model TL-A Tr.
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There was about 4,000 feet of this cutting-enough to pay for the cutter of this job alone.

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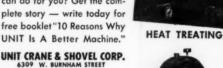
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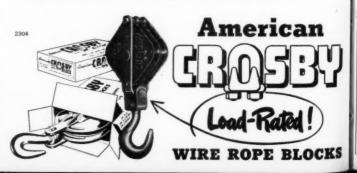
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Three stages of sewer construction: In the far background a Link-Belt backhoe excavates; in the center an A-frame truck-mounted lift lowers the pipe into the trench; and at right a truck dumps selected backfill.

rows, and passed it back over the roadway in 2-inch lifts.

Two 2-section Tampo sheepsfoot rollworked over each lift. The D4 Cat pullers helped to tighten the surface but Boecking also used a Tampo rubber-tire roller pulled by an International-Harvester wheel tractor. Very little water had to be added to bring the soil to optimum moisture content. Too much water was usually the problem. After a heavy winter rain, Boecking just had to wait it out. Now and then a foot or two of unsuitable subgrade material had to be taken out completely.

Finished subgrade sections that didn't meet the 95 per cent modified Proctor densities were ripped out and redone. That included the 94.8 ones, too.

The subbase was processed the same way. The contractor brought a selected material for the base from a pit about 20 miles away. The spex said the material couldn't be blended on the job, so Boecking had to find soil that would test out in pit-run condition. This soil



About 30 to 40 feet ahead of the fin-isher a workman sets the longitudinal dummy joint.

took a bit more water and Boecking

used the rubber-tire roller again.

A small Trojan did the final grading. Shop-made fine-graders, drawn by a geared-down I-H wheel tractor, rode the forms to put in the finishing touches
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checkerboard holes 4 feet apart, as a D7 dozer moved in behind to lift the pieces off the subgrade. A D6-mounted Traxcavator scooped up the piles the dozer had made and loaded them into dumps. Spoil areas were just around the corner, so to speak—nearby eroded drainage ditches. C&M Construction Co., Oklahoma City, had the subcontract for the removal of the broken pavement, and for the grading which followed.

Grading and trenching work moved along at about the same pace. There was quite a bit to the trenching and pipeline work. The contract called for a new storm sewer; lowering a 6-inch water main; replacement of all house service lines; and building manholes

and catch basins.

A small tractor-mounted ditcher opened up cuts for the service lines, while a Cleveland bucket - wheel trencher and a Link-Belt backhoe took are of the bigger cuts. The buckets on the Cleveland were 18 inches, but with side cutters they chewed out a 22-inch-wide trench. The backhoe was a 4-vard

Pipe was set with an A-frame on the tail of a 2½-ton Dodge. A Tulsa truck winch provided the pulling power. A simple pipe clamp was used since none of the sections were very big. The in-spectors kept the invert grade to a fraction of an inch. When it came to backfill, nothing but the best was called for—a Type A-2 (AASHO) soil comacted in 6-inch lifts to 95 per cent modified Proctor, as a minimum. A couple of Ingersoll-Rand 34 pneumatic pers powered by an I-R 105-cfm Mobil-Air compressor did the job in some areas, while a mobile Hydra-Hammer did it in others.

Zero Tolerance

Two Caterpillar dozers meanwhile worked on the grading. A D4 and a D6-mounted Traxcavator picked up the excess material and loaded it into dump rucks. When the roadway was brought to the proper elevation, scarifiers on a Galion grader and on an Adams ripped open 6 inches of the subgrade for reprocessing. Then they lowered their blades, swept the loose soil into wind-

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on the surface.

The forms were Metaform and Heltzel steel sections pinned by $\sqrt[6]{s}$ -inch "sucker rods" 26 to 32 inches long. Boecking kept the forms 600 to 700 feet ahead of the paving and set them to 0.02 inch. A Hudson sprayer coated the forms with a mixture of used oil and diesel fuel.

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The contractor worked the 11,000-foot project in four sections so as not to tie up traffic any more than necessary. High-early-strength cement was used at intersections for the same reason. In each of the four sections the paving lineup moved down one 8-foot parking lane, then down the adjacent 22-foot driving lane, and then back up the other parking and driving lane in that order.



C. & E. M. Photo Hand-concreting the 8-foot parking lanes. Contractor-designed form clamps are in the foreground, a contractor-designed vibrating screed is in the background. The truck mixer is a 4½-yard Jaeger mounted on a K-11 International.

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A GMC truck mounting a 1,000-gal, lon tank supplied water to wet the subbase. A side-mounted 2-inch Jaege pump provided the pressure for delivery through a 10-foot spraybar.

Concrete for the parking lanes we chuted from transit mixers driving on the base of the 22-foot lane. Because of the unequal heights of the forms-a 13-inch curb form and a 7-inch inside form—the contractor's shop mechanics made a special vibrating screed It consisted of a roller-mounted H-beam with the top flange replaced by a 1½-inch pipe carrying a Master vibrating head. A workman at each side provided the "motive" power.

The Dolese Co. supplied the concrete

The Dolese Co. supplied the concrete in 4½-yard Jaeger transit mixer mounted on International K-11 truck On the 22-foot lanes, the trucks backed up between the forms to chute the loads in front of the finisher. For the reason the longitudinal dummy join was set out only 30 to 40 feet ahead of the finisher, and load-transfer assemblies for the joints were set just ahead of the concrete placement. The redwood strips were soaked for 24 hours to give the wood a full swell before it went into the concrete and to reduce the crushing effect when the concrete expanded. Two trucks were usually delivering concrete at all times.

The Jaeger-Lakewood Type H finisher used has a double-tube vibrator with Jackson vibrating heads, and a double-plate screed. The inside-edge rollers rode a 9-inch form; the outside rubber-covered rollers rode on the previously placed parking lane. The screeds on the finisher were offset? inches on the inner side to provide: perfectly level 7-inch course.

On one section of the paving there were three curves—each with a radius of about 90 feet. For these, Boecking took off the rear flange wheel of the finisher and put on a wide flat wheel in its place. This kept the machine of grade even though guiding was a little more difficult.

One other problem was settling of the form section under the finisher after period of heavy rain. The machine was moved along on the forms about 20 feet ahead of the paving each night so that the hand-finishing of the day's pour could be completed. Rain sometimes held up the next pour for a week. The combination of water on the subbase and the 8-ton weight of the machine would push the form down a bit. This

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Workmen placed the wooden curb back form was set on the pavement form and held by ½-inch rods driven into the ground. The battered front form was laid against fiberboard or steel-plate wedges between the two forms and brought in tight by a shopmade form clamp. The clamp was just a ½-inch rod welded to form an inverted U with one side vertical and the other battered. The base of the U had a double bar for easier handling. Concrete for the curb was shoveled into a couple of Jackmanco wheelbarrows from the pile in front of the finishers and brought over to the forms.

Concrete finishers went over the new concrete with a wood float and canvas belt. A Hunt Process membrane cure was sprayed over the finished pavement. Forms were pulled the follow-ing day and the section was opened to traffic about 14 days later. Intersections were opened as soon as the test beams

showed a 6,000-psi tensile strength.
Concrete on the job was a 3,500pound design, but cylinders broke well
over that—near 5,000. The mix was six bags to the yard with 5½ gallons of water per sack. Weights per yard were 2017 pounds of coarse aggregate, 1,250 pounds of fine aggregate, 541 pounds of cement, and 34.3 gallons of water. The Dolese Co. concrete plant was so close to the job that batches were held to 4 yards to give sufficient time for mixing. Standard Testing & Engineering Co., Oklahoma City, took samples of the concrete once a day. They filled four 6 x 6 x 24-inch "beam" boxes and two 6 x 12-inch cylinders right from the concrete on the subgrade in front of the finisher. They also took a slump test. Beams were testing at about 790 psi, tensile; cylinders at 4,200 to 5,400 psi, compression. Slump was averaging 21/2 inches.

Boecking Construction Co. had about 50 men on the job-working a single shift. Ed Boecking, partner of the firm, headed up the contractor's forces on this project. Ernie Walling was General Superintendent. The city was represented by Toler, Jones & Toler. Earl Tucker was the Resident Engineer.

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Brochure on Compaction

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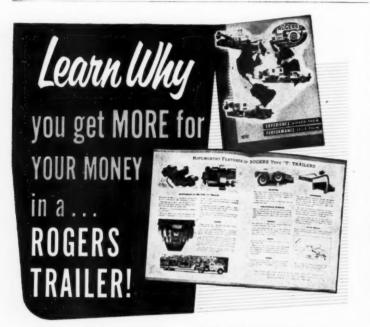
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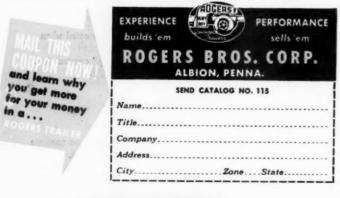
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Arsham Amirikian receives the 1952 Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute Award. Professor II. J. Gilkey of CRSI hands it to him.

CRSI Design Award For Navy Engineer

Each year the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute presents an award for outstanding contributions to the development of reinforced concrete through research, new and improved design concepts, or improvements in construction practices or methods. The award, which consists of \$500 and a certificate, went this year to Arsham Amirikian, Chief Designing Engineer, Navy Bureau of Yards and Docks.

Mr. Amirikian, who joined the Bureau in 1928, is in charge of the design of special shore and floating structures and is Structural Consultant for the Navy. His wide engineering experience has been concentrated in recent years on thin-shell precast-concrete construction and design of protective structures against bombs, conventional and atomic. He has new methods of analysis to his credit and has applied them to such important shore structures as airplane hangars as well as auxiliary floating craft for the Navy including huge floating drydocks and gate caissons. The modern precast-concrete technique, using thin-shell cells, ribbed panels, and hollow-section rigid framing, originated with Mr. Amirikian.

The CRSI award is the latest in an impressive list of awards Mr. Amirikian has received in recent years. Included in these are the First Grand Award of James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation; the Fuertes Graduate Medal of Cornell University; the Navy's Meritorious Service Award in 1946; and the Lincoln Gold Medal of the American Welding Society. In 1942 Mr. Amirikian published "Analysis of Rigid Frames".

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Designed for engineers engaged in scientific and industrial research and production, "Statistical Theory With Engineering Applications", a new book by Anders Hald, is published by John Wiley & Sons, 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y.

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it has some shortcomings. These I found could be overcome by the inclusion of a suitable form of rubber powder, thus making a road surface which possesses the advantages of both asphalt and rubber, with none of the disadvantages.

Before going further, I should like to make it clear that I have no interest whatever in rubber. I write as a road engineer, with the desire to pass on the benefit of my experience in rubber-

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sphalt road work to anyone interested in the subject in the U. S. A., Canada, or elsewhere. I use scrap-tire rubber, lecause I have found, by practical experience, that it gives better results, then mixed with asphalt, than raw, latex, or any other type of rubber.

In the beginning, it was necessary to letermine what was required of a rub-er-asphalt road. It was obvious that would be useless to employ rubber ith asphalt if the results did not arrant its addition. It was necessary hat the cost should compare favorably ith that of other forms of road conruction. It was equally essential at rubber asphalt be prepared and aid as easily and speedily as ordinary phalt or concrete in continuous form any length or area; that it set ickly and be open to traffic at once; at it neither wave nor creep under est, nor fracture and crack in cold reather. It had to be resilient and iseless, wear evenly, and remain nonbid throughout its entire thickness and

To obtain these desired properties, sufficient quantity of suitably prepared rubber is necessary. Scrap-tire tuber, I found, retains its identity; it snot melted or dissolved in the asphalt; and because of its low cost, it is possible to use the necessary quantity. In this tase, the best and simplest process tappens to be the cheapest.

The Mix

Rubber-tire powder is added to the tone, sand, filler, and bitumen and renly distributed throughout the composition during the mixing, with the result that numerous particles of rubber project through the road surface. These subber particles prevent slipperiness, and the composition offers a more resilent surface, while at the same time the effect of heat is decreased.

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One Example

In one case a stretch of rubber ashalt laid on a hill has stood up satisactorily for 13 years without attention. his surface is subjected to a considerble amount of turning bus traffic from terminus in an adjacent road. It has also been thoroughly tried by horsetrawn coal carts fitted with skid pans then descending the hill.

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Bulletin on Truck Winches

A bulletin describing the capacities and applications of the Model 2U and 3U low-mount winches has been issued by the Wayne Division of Gar Wood Industries, Inc., 36253 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. The 2U weighs 330 pounds and has a rating of 15,000 pounds, while the 3U weighs 375 pounds and has a 20,000-pound rating.

The bulletin shows how the winch can be mounted in the back of the cab and at the rear or front of the chassis. In back of the cab it leaves the entire body for the payload and is available with cab controls. In rear-chassis mounting, the rope can be used for direct pull from the rear or it can be passed under the body and used for loading. Front mounting makes the winches available for pulling the truck itself out of ditches or rugged terrain.

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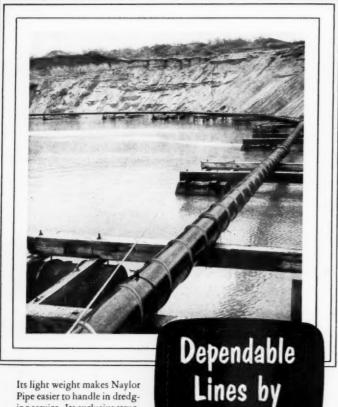


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A New Truck Crane Features Box Frame

A new truck crane designed exclusively for truck service is announced by Harnischfeger Corp., 4400 W. National Ave., Milwaukee 46, Wis. The Mitimite features a single compact box that holds all the driving machinery. The upper section is welded integrally so that the power box acts as the machine frame supporting all shafts, drums, engine, counterweight, and front-end attachments.

A 6-cylinder gasoline engine provides power through a 4-speed transmission. Main drum and swing clutches are of the double-shoe internal-expanding type with outside cam adjustments. Hydraulic controls are

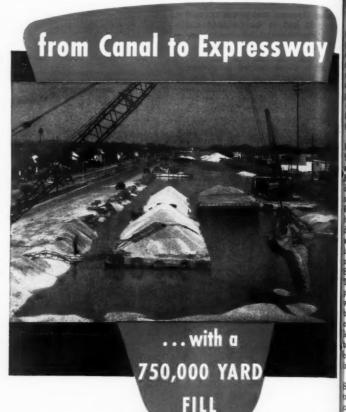
conveniently grouped for open comfort. The full-vision cab has an a justable foam-rubber seat with had rest.

The Miti-Mite is convertible to trench hoe, dragline, clamshell, crane. It has a %-cubic-yard capacias a shovel and a 7-ton capacity at the control of the c

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New Boost for Old Pile-Driving Rigs

By M. D. MORRIS, ASCE

"Making Manhattan Modern" is the ogan of the Borough President's Ofce, and one of its recent construction
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the way of the commercial pier trafc on South Street. The highway will
connect East River Drive at Jackson
meet with the exit of the Cross-Batmy Underpass, which runs from
contes Slip east to the Brooklyn-Batmy Tunnel entrance.

Fehlhaber Pile Co., a Manhattan firm, of the contract for the footings, and ist ground was broken in May, 1951. Rate of progress will keep pace with the firm's steel allocation.

The design decided upon after suburface investigation called for 117ound 14-inch HB steel bearing piles nder each footing, driven to a mininum depth of 65 feet and a maximum f 212 feet according to location, in lusters of 6, 8, 9, 11, or 12. The suporing columns of the superstructure to be built by Fehlhaber Construction Ca) will be located on the centers of these pile clusters.

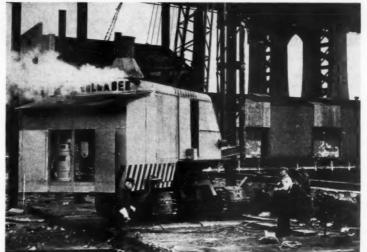
S. Jay Winterberg, Fehlhaber's Chief Engineer, decided on a McKiernanferry S-10 pile hammer. At first it eemed that the company's old Bucyrus 9.8 2-cubic-yard steam crane could to the job. But its power unit was a sandard horizontal fire-tube boiler of S-boiler-hp capacity (or 130-boiler-hp according to recently revised ASME edinitions) and it was soon apparent, spile length became greater and driving harder, that the boiler could not maintain sufficient steam to power the S-10 hammer for continuous driving. The time lag between finishing off a pile and placing another in the leads was not enough to allow the boiler to build up the pressure needed to oversome the initial drawdown. The probem was to increase steam production to a point where the S-10 hammer build drive consistently from its 2½-jnch line.

A Littleford Model 1000-G Kwik-Steam generator, used as a booster urned out to be the answer. This unit an furnish a maximum of 1,080 pounds of steam per hour at pressures up to 200 psi—a capacity of 40 boiler horsewer-though it was not called upon o do so on this occasion. The genertor, equipped with its own 11-cubicnot steam receiver, was tied into the 24-inch line at the quick-acting valve. The boiler started off, then the generator, powered by a 3.2-hp gasoline engine, was started and left to idle. As the driving increased, the boiler output lacked off, and this drop in pressure activated the generator, which supplied steam instantaneously to fill the lag until the boiler built itself up again. The small 3,200-pound generator was mounted on a platform at the crane's interweight and kept weatherproof by a light corrugated housing. During boosting process, it consumed about gallons of No. 2 diesel oil per hour, wing it from the boiler's fuel tank, nd drawing water from the boiler's ity-hydrant line.

Fehlhaber had another time-lag

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Fehlhaber Pile Co., New York, N. Y., solves a problem in providing steam for its McKiernan-Terry S-10 pile-driving hammer on a Manhattan elevated-highway project.

A Hwik-Steam generator boosts the capacity of the crane boiler.

problem further along the line, and used the same tactics to defeat it. This time the crane was a 2-cubic-yard Marion 480 with an old standard 65-boiler-hp vertical (haystack) boiler, and it had the same trouble with an S-10 hammer on a 2½-inch line. A second Littleford 1000-G Kwik-Steam booster was installed, and after that all was well.

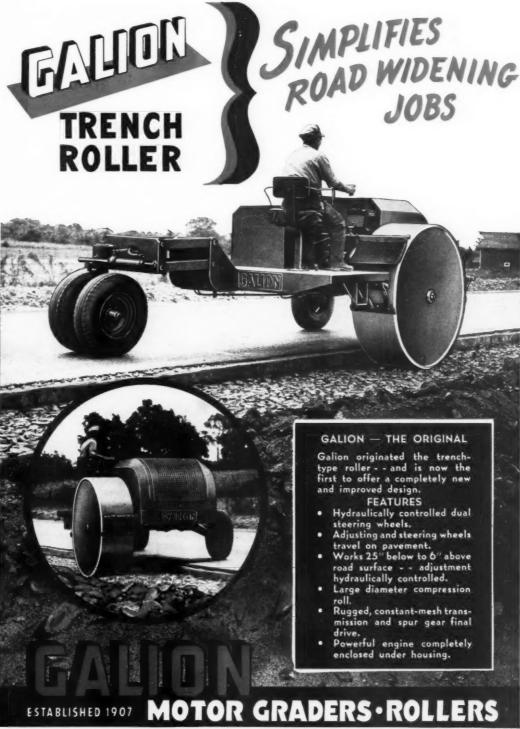
Bulletin on Form Tamper

A bulletin on a one-man-operated form tamper is issued by The Cleveland Formgrader Co., Mills Road, Avon, Ohio. It shows how inclined tampers on the unit contact the earth under both sides of the form. Oil sprayed by the engine exhaust prepares the form face for pouring.

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Formula Was Part of a Pile-Driving Contract

THE PROBLEM: Spex covering founda-tions of an airport apron building for Massachusetts required all piles to be "steel-encased cast-in-place concrete piles of a safe working-load capacity of 20 tons. . . . The safe value of piles shall be determined by the following formula:" [Here details of the formula were given.] The engineers were empowered to, but did not, modify the formula.

Plaintiff was awarded the contract,

although on a preliminary load test one of three piles subsided more than allowed by the specifications. In per-

formance of the contract each pile driven according to the formula, der engineers' supervision. When needly all of the 4,354 required piles h been so driven, the contracting thority ordered a test, which show that some of the piles did not meet 20-ton weight test. Under dispute to the contractor's liability for the a driving extra piles, an extra w order was issued, without prejudice the Commonwealth's contention the deficient piles did not accord w the contract. Was the contractor titled to the cost of the extra piles?

THE ANSWER: Yes. (New Engla-Foundation Co. v. Commonwealth Massachusetts, 100 N. E. 2d 6, decid by the Massachusetts Supreme Judie Court.)

Substance of court's reasoning: T engineers had ordered driving to on each pile when at least the min requirements of the formula had b met as measured by the engineers N until after 4,325 of the 4,354 piles w driven did the engineers use their at thority to order load tests, and the far mula could be modified only on basis of such tests. The wording of the contract and the acts of the particular during performance indicated mut understanding that the requirement "a safe working-load capacity of tons" was to be read in connection the formula clause, and was not absolute undertaking on the part the contractor that a 20-ton test we be met. The cost of a load test of each pile would have been prohibitive more than six times the contract pri \$512,000. The tests would also have in peded progress of the work. The con-tractor was not left "at the mercy the formula as originally defined", was entitled to rely on it until it m modified by the engineers according the contract. "To hold that the contract amounted to an absolute guarante that each pile would support a si working load of 20 tons would may the formula clause of little or no si

Was Not an "Accident

THE PROBLEMS: (1) A policy insured highway contractor against liability for personal and property damages "cause by accident". In the operation of a a ment-loading mill for four months, the

air was impregnated with cement du

Did the policy cover damages sustaine

by a nearby property owner on accome of this dust? (2) The insurance company refused to defend suit brough against the contractor by the property of the prope

owner. Was the company liable for the

contractor's expense in making me

THE ANSWERS: No. (United State Fidelity & Guaranty Co. v. Briscoe, 2

Pac. 2d 754, decided by the Oklaho

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defense?

Supreme Court.)

Cement-Dust Nuisance

"SELDOM DO WE ENDORSE ANY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT" begins a letter from John B. Taylor, Taylor Brothers president, pictured here on the job, "... but after using the new 34E ... we feel it our responsibility to write you."

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Avoid Legal Pitfalls

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The court said that the mill was intentionally operated in a negligent manner; that the method of operation could have been enjoined; and that in no proper sense was the injury accidentally inflicted.

The opinion cited a decision by the Circuit Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, that a policy insuring a dredging company against liability for accidental injuries to employees did not cover tuberculosis contracted by an employee through the damp and unsanitary condition of premises on which he was required to work. (Taylor Dredging Co. v. Travelers Insurance Co., 90 Fed. 2d 449)

The court also cited several decisions

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on the point that an insurer is not bound to defend a suit when it would not be liable under its policy for judgment against insured. In one of those cases, decided by the Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit, a pipeline-construction company was insured against liability for injuries resulting from business operations carried on in its places of work, etc. The court ruled that the company was not insured against liability for injury caused by a dynamite cap left on the pipeline by the construction company's employee, the company having finished the job and surrendered possession of the premises. (Kelly-Dempsey & Co. v. Century Indemnity Co., 77 Fed. 2d 85.)

Subcontractor Could Not Complain About Settlement

THE PROBLEM: A Wyoming town awarded a sewer contract to a partnership at \$54,344.80. The firm sublet the job to a corporation at 85 per cent of the sum to be received by the firm, less invoices and payrolls. After the work was completed the firm notified the subcontractor that it (the firm) and the town would meet to reach a settlement, and invited the company to be present. The subcontracting company did not appear and the firm and the town agreed on \$55,912.46 as the amount due under the prime contract. Was the subcontracting company bound by that agreement, in the computation of the percentage due it under the subcontract?

THE ANSWER: Yes. (Dawson, Corbett & Shelp v. Lieurance & Canfield Construction Co., 235 Pac. 2d 457, decided by the Wyoming Supreme Court.)

Job Disability Not Total

THE PROBLEM: An accident permanently disabled a bulldozer operator from pursuing that occupation, but he remained able to drive trucks, etc. Was he entitled to an award for permanent total disability?

THE ANSWER: No. (Blackwell v. Wimberly, 53 So. 2d 814, decided by the Louisiana Court of Appeal, Second Circuit.)

Use of Convict Labor

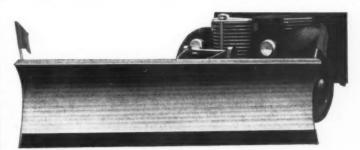
THE PROBLEM: The California constitution prohibits hiring convicts to any person or firm, but requires that they

be worked "for the benefit of the State". Does that prevent the Legislature from providing for use of convict labor in constructing and maintaining county highways?

The Answer: No. (Copeland v. Kern County, 234 Pac. 2d 314, decided by the California District Court of Appeal. Fourth District.)

The court decided that both new construction and maintenance were included in California statutes permitting county boards to have road work done under the supervision of a commissioner or by contract letting. It also decided

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that provision for doing the work by "day labor" permitted use of regular road crews and prisoners, as well as inexperienced casual workers.

False Statement Convicts Though Sum Obtained Small

The Problem: A subcontractor was prosecuted for obtaining a check from the prime contractor by falsely stating that labor and material bills had been paid. Could he escape conviction in the ground that the contractor owed

him the amount of the check?

THE ANSWER: No. (Schultz v. State, 242 S. W. 2d 131, decided by the Arkansas Supreme Court.)

In refusing to set aside a conviction and one-year sentence—although the check was for only \$370—the court noted, in effect, that the question of whether the contractor owed accused that sum depended upon whether labor and material bills had been paid.

Obstruction of Pathway Made Contractor Liable

The Problem: During a street repaving, excavated material was piled on an adjacent pathway. No barricade, lights, or signs were placed there to warn pedestrians. Plaintiff walked into the pile and was injured. Was the contractor liable?

THE ANSWER: Yes. (Wesco Paving Co. v. Nash, 245 S. W. 2d 782, decided by the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Eastern Section.)

Engineer Entitled to Fee

THE PROBLEM: A city engaged an engineer to prepare plans and specifications for a construction project. He was engaged at a percentage fee based on the cost of construction, 60 per cent of the fee to be paid when bids for construction were accepted. It was agreed that if the city failed to proceed with construction, the engineer should receive \$15,000—the full sum to be paid on abandonment of the project.

Bids were received but none was ac-

cepted. Funds for the project were on hand, but it was at a standstill, although not abandoned. Was the engineer entitled to \$15,000, to be credited payment if the city proceeded with the

THE ANSWER: Yes. (LeFeber v. City of Norwood, 102 N. E. 2d 724, decided by the Ohio Court of Appeals, Hamil. ton County.)

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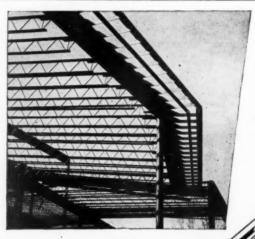
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How to Build Roads On Soft Foundations

N. Y. State Engineers Describe Both Removal and In-Place Treatment Methods of Supporting Embankments

 METHODS used in New York State to construct roads on soft foundations were reviewed at the 31st Annual Meeting of the Highway Research Board. M. N. Sinacori, W. P. Hofmann, and A. H. Emery of the Department of Public Works outlined the characteristics of soft foundations, types and extent of subsurface investigations, and methods of treatment.

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In New York, they reported, deposits of soft materials exist where the topography is flat, the drainage poor, and the soil fine-grained or organic. The flat topography in many areas causes poor surface drainage. This condition permits long periods of sedimentation which help to form fine-grained deposits of high compressibility and low permeability, density, and shear strength.

Subsurface Investigation

The approximate type of subsoil is first determined by Government maps, aerial photographs, site inspections, and preliminary surveys. If these investigations show the presence of unstable material, a subsurface-exploration program is planned.

The first phase of the program consists of making holes to define the horizontal and vertical limits of the deposit. Also samples are obtained to evaluate general soil characteristics. In the second phase, undisturbed samples representing the entire profile are tested structurally in a lab. For some projects the first phase may provide enough information for the designers to select a foundation treatment.

The final choice, however, depends on a number of engineering factors. The desired height and width of embankment greatly affect settlement. Certain materials may be ideal, but not available. If the pavement is to be placed as soon as the embankment is completed, then settlement must be speeded up. Finally, job location may prohibit the use of any number of

Removal by Excavation

New York State builds roads over soft foundations either by removing the material completely or by treating in place. Complete removal prevents instability and differential settlement; inplace treatments generally take care of only one of these factors.

Complete removal is done either by excavating or displacing the poor material. Excavation is considered when the soft deposit is reasonably shallow, the necessary borrow available, and when the embankment must be stabilized in a short time. If these conditions are not present, and the average stress in the foundation can be made to exceed the strength of the material, displacement methods can be used.

Excavation is generally economical where shovels can dig and cast in one operation. The side-cast spoils can be bulldozed to flatten the sideslopes after the embankment is completed. Enough material is taken out to offer stability to the shoulders and sideslopes.

Excavation may be either complete or partial. Complete removal is considered when the soft foundation is of reasonable depth, when the quantities involved are relatively small, when there is a possibility that large quantities of material will be trapped, and when stability must be reached in a short time. In New York, complete excava-

tion has been economical to depths of

Frequently, however, a very soft compressible material of low bearing strength is underlain at fairly shallow depths by a somewhat stronger material, less compressible. The surface

deposit will not safely support an embankment of the desired height, but the second layer will. Furthermore, the surface deposit is the seat of a greater portion of the expected settlement. In this case it is often economical to excavate the surface layer and build on the underlying stronger but still compressible material, allowing the embankment to undergo the smaller settlement of the second layer. Having reduced the thickness of the compressible layer by partial excavation, the time required to eliminate settlement within the thickness remaining will become much shorter.

Partial excavation is also used in uniformly soft deep deposits where the remaining material beyond the depth of excavation can be displaced by the embankment weight or surcharge.

Removal by Displacement

The extent of displacement depends on the superimposed weight, the strength of the underlying soil, uniformity of material and profile, the geometric relation of width and depth, and the presence or absence of any restraining forces.

As soft material displaces from under an embankment, it builds up as mud waves on the sides or in front of the embankment. These waves act as passive restraining forces, reducing the tendency for further displacement. In some instances the embankment weight is great enough to displace all of the soft material. In other instances addi-

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tional weight is required to permit full displacement and overcome the re-

straining forces present or developed. Generally, in uniformly soft materials, once an embankment has started to sink, it will continue if maintained the same top elevation, and if any mud waves formed adjacent to it are removed. This will occur because the fill material replacing the soft foundation is of greater density, and pro-portionately increases the total superimposed weight. However, if not removed as it forms, it is possible for the mud wave to build up enough restraint to check any further sinking.

A wide embankment placed on a soft

foundation sinks unevenly across its width, with the maximum settlement occurring about halfway between the toes and the center line. This type of "heart-shaped" settlement leads to the possibility of entrapping a central core under the embankment, producing un-desirable differential settlements after construction.

Some foundation soils, such as soft mucks and peats, organic silts, and marls, may be displaced from under embankments raerely by superimposing normal embandment heights. This type of displacement is generally considered when the embankment planned weighs enough to displace the material, and when any material that may be en-trapped under the embankment will become adjusted within the time per-mitted before paving. For some projects provisions are made to remove the mud waves as they develop adjacent to the embankment, and to cast the material beyond the limits required to permit free displacement of all underlying material.

surcharge may be added to the embankment during construction if its normal height is not enough to displace the underlying soft material, or if there is a possibility of entrapping enough material to result in undesirable differential settlement. This surcharge helps by inducing additional displacement, and by causing the normal settle-

ment to take place more rapidly.

Explosives for settling embankments have been used in New York to help displace soft foundations, whenever the weight alone or the weight and sur-charge were not sufficient to accomplish the displacement. Depths of unsuitable material displaced by this method have varied from 5 to 24 feet. The amount of dynamite used has ranged from 3/4 to 11/4 pounds per cubic yard of material displaced. In general, these projects were done under contract on a unit-price basis per pound of dynamite used. Subsequent per-formance of these embankments has been highly satisfactory, and the method is still considered where applicable and economical.

Treatment for Stability

The nature of many highway projects is such that removal will result in excessive quantities, difficult and impractical construction, and unreasonably high costs. In addition, many materials generally classified as soft and weak, although not completely adequate for embankment foundations in their natural state, can be made suitable with special treatment or with modifications in design.

In-place treatment should satisfy the two requirements of stability and settlement, as determined by the specific projects. Where it is planned to retain the soft material as part of the embankment foundations, the requirement for stability against lateral move-ment should be satisfied. Stability can be increased by decreasing the foundation stress, increasing its strength, or by providing confining or restraining

In some instances the strength of a soft foundation layer is not sufficient to support the weight of an embankment constructed according to normal procedures. However, due to its relatively rapid settlement characteristics, such a foundation may gain enough strength during a slow-rate or partially delayed construction period to permit the embankment to be completed to its required height. For the method to be effective, the layer should have consolidation properties and thickness as to permit rapid settlement under the weight of the part of the embankment initially placed. For a proper evalua-tion, complete settlement and stability analyses should be made, along with analyses of the effect of the rate of settlement on strength increase.

Another stability method, using lightweight material, reduces the embankment weight and the foundation stress by the ratio of the density of that material to the density of com-Lightweight materials mon borrow.

generally used are cinders and slag. These, of course, can be considered for use only when they are available locally. Generally, cinders and slag have a total in-place density of 75 to 95 pounds per cubic foot and, compared to common borrow, show an equiva-

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the failure surface approximating a circular cylinder. In cross section, this failure surface usually approximates a circular arc. For any section having specific strength values, there is one most critical circle showing the lowest factor of safety against failure, which can be determined by trial and error. Stability computations for any circular arc are made by equating the moments, about the center of the circle, of the actuating forces against the resisting forces. The actuating forces include the total weight on the embankment side of the center of circle, while the resisting forces include the shearing strength along the arc of failure and the total weight on the low side of the center of circle.

If the factor of safety resulting from such a computation indicates that failure might occur during or soon after construction, the stability can be improved by adding stabilizing berms as counterweights over the original ground. To be effective, these stabilizing berms should be built of such width as to have their center of gravity well beyond the center of the most critical sliding circle, obtained for the original section, and to cover the toe of this circle. The width and height of berm required for any project are also obtained by trial and error in the same manner.

In determining heights of berms, the stability of the berm itself must also be satisfied. The use of stabilizing berms only satisfies the requirement for stability. Gradual settlement of the embankment due to the consolidation of the underlying foundation soil may follow, and should be considered as a separate requirement.

Berms are also used to correct failures which occur during or after construction. In such cases the position of the failure arc can usually be determined from the locations of the shear cracks, the mud wave, and the depth of firm layer. This information can be used to compute the average shear strength of the foundation material during failure. A stabilizing berm can then be designed to counterbalance the actuating forces.

Sidehill construction of embankments sometimes leads to foundation failures caused by ground-water accumulation and movement. The ground-water movement may be deep-seated and not readily intercepted by ditches and underdrains. These conditions can influence stability by developing large seepage forces in the downhill direction which act to increase the sliding forces, and by developing artesian pressures which increase the buoyancy of the foundation soil and thereby decrease its effective weight and shearing resistance.

Where such problems exist, adequate subsurface exploration is essential, with careful observations made of water conditions. In many instances the severity of the problem is not recognized in the investigation and design stages, and the conditions remain unnoticed until during or after construction.

Treatment for Settlement

Embankments for which the stability requirements have been satisfied may still show considerable settlement long after construction.

In many instances a foundation is strong enough to support the weight of a normal embankment without the builder's anticipating shear failures; but due to the compressibility of the foundation material, objectionable settlements of long duration may occur after construction. The eventual solution to eliminate or reduce the effects of settlement will depend on the amount and rate of settlement expected, the uniformity and continuity of embankment and foundation, the presence of points of discontinuity such as bridge abutments, and the quality of roadway

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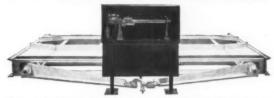
constructed and results expected.

Normal construction procedures are generally followed in cases where the settlement expected is minor, or is uniform for long sections with proper transitions at the ends of the section, and where the quality of road is not affected. In these instances the settlement is expected but no precautions are taken to reduce or eliminate it.

Two-stage construction delays final paving after embankment construction until the detrimental settlement has been eliminated. This method is used mainly where the total settlement expected after construction is not excessive but is reasonably rapid, where normal construction practices would result in objectionable differential settlements, where additional borrow for surcharge is not readily available, and where the schedules of construction permit such delays. The postponement may vary from one construction season to several years. If it is planned to use the roadway during this period, a temporary pavement may

be placed, which can be readily built up as settlement occurs. Construction men generally refer to this method as permitting the section to "season". More height is often added to an embankment as a surcharge to expedite settlement. This is feasible only where (Continued on next page)

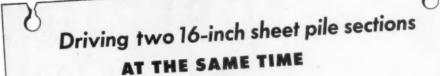
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the soft foundation is still strong enough to permit the addition of the surcharge without failure. The actual amount of surcharge needed depends on thickness and the time-settlement rela-tions of the compressible layer, the embankment height, and the over-all time available to complete the project. The additional weight of surcharge increases the amount of settlement obtained per unit of time elapsed. The surcharge can be removed after the amount of settlement expected under the normal-height embankment has been reached. If the compressible layer is deep or if the embankment is high, the amount of surcharge required to affect noticeably the normal time-settlement relations will be so great as make the method uneconomical. Material used for surcharge may require double payment for handling,

unless use can be found for this quantity on other sections of the project after the surcharge is no longer needed.

In some instances reasonably shallow foundation materials in a relatively loose state can be compressed by heavy pneumatic-tire rolling to eliminate any possible settlement due to the subsequent weight of an embankment. For effective results, such materials should contain granular sizes and be above the water table.

Treatment: Stability, Settlement

Many soft foundations are critical ith respect to both stability and settlement. In such cases a treatment to satisfy one requirement may directly affect the other requirement. In many instances several individual methods are combined to satisfy the requirements for stability and settle-

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Combination Method

A project requiring the use of partial excavation combined with a surcharge included a section of the New York State Thruway across Montezuma Swamp in west-central New York. The soil profile in this area consisted of a layer of peat and muck varying in thickness from 3 to 10 feet but averaging 5 feet, underlain by a deposit of marl from 7 to 15 feet thick, averaging 10 feet. The marl in turn was underlain by a deposit of silt and clay, while was reasonably firm. The normal wate surface in this area was from 1 to feet above the ground surface, main tained to this minimum level by dike and gates to provide a wild-life refuge

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general considerations which affected the over-all design were: (1) The water level in the area had to be maintained at the minimum elevation required by the United States Depart. ment of Agriculture, from 1 to 2 feet above the average ground surface. (2) There was a definite scarcity of gram lar material suitable for underwater placement, or for possible use as a drainage blanket in connection with sand-drain installation. (3) There was adequate supply of glacial-till soil suitable for common borrow and satis. factory for above-water placement And (4) there would be a time lapse of one year, and possibly two years between grading and paving.

Stability and settlement analyses

representative undisturbed samples the various layers indicated the following:

1. The peat and muck layer would be unstable under the desired heigh of embankment, and would permi Due to the approxishear failures. mately 180-foot width of the embank ment section used, such failures would take place along the sides, but would entrap the major portion of the peat and muck under the central section of embankment.

2. The underlying marl layer would be stable under the weight of em-bankment and a moderate surcharge height, especially if the excavated pear and muck were spread beyond the em bankment to add some counterweigh

3. The peat and muck, being highly compressible, in combination with the marl would cause large detrimental settlements of long duration if left in place or entrapped by normal construcand a satisfactory could not be placed during the desired time interval.

4. With the removal of muck, the settlement expected in the marl layer could be eliminated within a short tim after construction, aided by a moderate surcharge placed on the normal embankment. A surcharge of such height as to stabilize the muck and marl layers combined would cause failure in the marl layer.

Based on these considerations, th final approved design involved:

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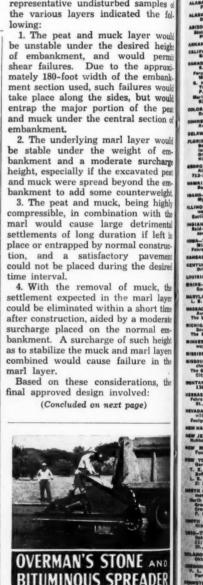
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4. Continuing the embankment beyond normal height with a surcharge varying from 3 to 5 feet high, depending on local requirements.

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minimum of one year.

In many instances, the treatment required for a soft foundation may be so costly as to justify a change in line and grade to avoid or minimize the effects of such foundations. A prop-erly designed highway will reflect the over-all expenditure consistent with the quality desired, based on the proper evaluation of all the factors which affect design.

In the solution of a propject involving soft foundations, the various methods discussed are considered as competing with each other. By the very nature of each problem, some methods do not apply. Others may offer equally satisfactory results. The choice of the best method depends on the evaluation of all the contributing factors, such as embankment dimensions, character-istics of foundation soil, construction materials available, construction schedule planned, location, and class of highway. In many cases the solution will include combinations of the methods listed

The minimum factor of safety for any problem should be established by evaluating the accuracy of design computa-tions and field and laboratory informa-

Line of First-Aid Kits

Data on a line of first-aid kits are given in a folder issued by The Pac-Kit Co., P. O. Box 1306, Greenwich, Conn. Four types of kits are made, carrying compresses, bandage, oint-ments, iodine, ammonia, inhalants, and similar treating materials.

This literature may be obtained from the company, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 431.

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N. R. Aldrich is a newly appointed sales representative of Fageol Heat Machine Co., Detroit, Mich. Mr. Aldrich, who comes to Fageol from continental Mfg. Co., Inc., Harrisonville, Mo., where he was Sales Manager, will handle distribution and sales of the Fageol heat machine in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, and Nebraska. He will make his headquarters at Sheridan, Mo.

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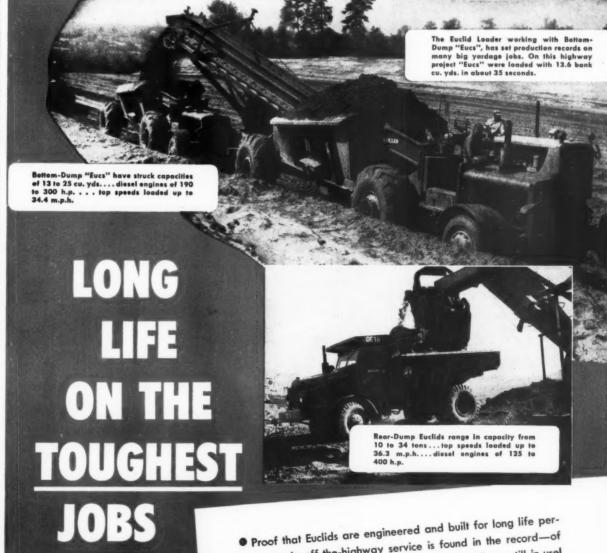
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Mortising Attachment

An improved mortising attachment is produced by South Bend Lathe Works, 114 E. Madison St., South Bend 22, Ind. It consists of a fence assembly which bolts to the drill-press work table, a mortising chisel holder which clamps to the drill-press quill, and three mortising chisels and bits in ¼, ¾, and ½-inch sizes.

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Masonry Saw Blade

A reinforced masonry saw blade said to withstand twist, strains, and binds is announced by Eveready Briksaw Co., 1509 S. Michigan Blvd., Chicago, Ill. The Tuffie is reinforced internally with layers of fabric and has a safety web molded into its surface.

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The Tuffe masonry saw blade is specially reinforced to withstand twist, strains, and binds.

Finishing Machine Moved Like Trailer

A finishing machine that lifts itself up off the forms and is pulled away on its own tires is offered by Flexible Road Joint Machine Co., Warren, Ohio. The two wheels nest in the frame of the Flex-Plane as it works on the forms. When the machine has to be moved to another location, a flick of a switch lowers the wheels and the machine becomes a trailer.

The telescopic unit is made in three basic sizes to finish widths from 10 to 27 feet. The screeds are both mounted on the outside of the frame, permitting the machine to rest lower in the forms and providing greater rigidity. Front and rear screeds may be adjusted to



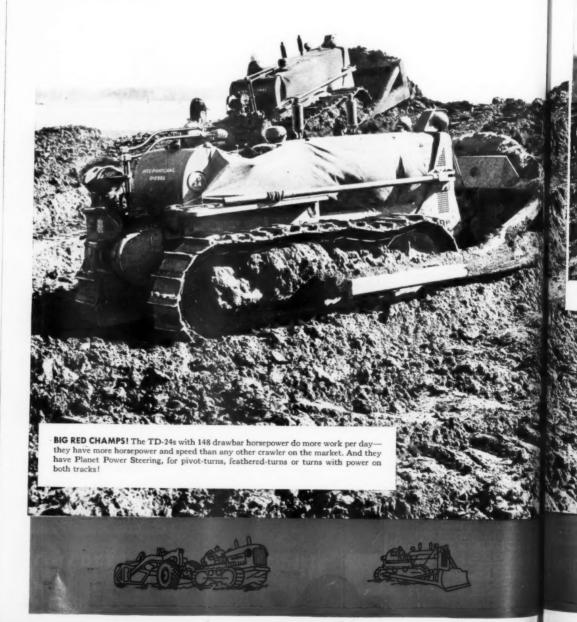
This new Flex-Plane finisher will lift itself off the paving forms onto its own built-in pneumatic-tired trailer for fast attachment to towing equipment.

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Concrete Drilling: Easier and Faster

Use of Tungsten-Carbide Inserts Revolutionizes Drilling in The Construction and Upkeep of Concrete Buildings

By CARL TILDEN, Tilden Tool Mfg. Co. As told to RAY DAY

• AT the Los Angeles County General Hospital recently, architects planned the routine installation of an air-conditioning system. Unfortunately, however, the building had been completed and in use for many years, and 17 heavy reinforced-concrete floors lay directly in the path of the duct line. How could the concrete be removed in the midst of a busy hospital?

The problem is typical of many interesting examples in current building construction and maintenance. In this case, Contractor Harry Robinson of Los Angeles was on his toes, and called in modern drill bits with tungsten-carbide cutting edges. Using a 1-inch drill bit in a standard electric-drill motor, he removed the 17 blocks neatly and quickly by drilling 40 holes totaling 30 linear feet in each block. The job was soon over. There had been no interruption with hospital routine, there was a minimum of noise, and what was important to Robinson, he had completed the job well on the black side of the ledger.

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As the tungsten-carbide drill bit revolutionized road building, mining, tunneling, and other such types of



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A very light scoring of the concrete with a pointed chisel is enough to start the Tilden tungsten-carbide bit. On flat work, the best method is to drill a round hole through a board and then stand on the edges of the board, using the hole as a guide for the cut.

heavy construction, so is it revolutionizing building construction and maintenance. Today the modern tungstencarbide bit is rapidly replacing the old star drill and other such methods of boring holes in concrete.

Concrete Drilling Never Routine

Concrete drilling is seldom a routine or usual task. The very nature of a remodeling job is to repair or restore something that is old. When contractors get contracts which call for drilling in old concrete, they can never be sure that there will be enough room in which to work, that steel will not be encountered in the concrete, or that the drilling may not be difficult in the extreme. For example, one contractor in the east has an assignment to drill 6-inch-diameter holes in reinforced concrete in an A-bomb plant. His problems can well be imagined.

In modern building construction and maintenance there are several basic considerations for the contractor or superintendent to bear in mind when he contemplates rigging for the job. They are as follows:

1. Does the concrete contain reinforcing steel, and must it be drilled? If the architects will not permit the steel to be cut, then of course the problem is not so great. If reinforcing steel lies in the path of the drill hole, however, there are certain extra problems. Modern building drills like the Tilden Rotary Konkrete Kore Drill will bore right through reinforcing steel embedded in concrete. And if the steel can be hit squarely, where sufficient pressure can be exerted on the drilling machine, penetration is faster with little chance of a broken cutting edge.

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This man wanted to install a heavy guardrail on the side of a tough concrete loading ramp. This electric-powered concrete drill cut through the tough wall like butter. Drilling time on a 5-inch hole was 1½ minutes by the stopwatch.

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2. Is the drilling vertical or horizontal? This, of course, is an important consideration. If the drilling is all vertical on the flat, as for example on the floor of a building, progress will be faster and the work will be easier than if overhead or horizontal drilling is involved. Before committing himself to a job of any size, the drilling contractor should ascertain for himself the answer to this question.

3. Is it a one-hole job, or is a large quantity of drilling involved? If the job is exceptionally small or large, different methods of rigging up may be indicated. Where on a tiny drilling job some methods might be perfectly economical for one or two holes, the use of modern cost-cutting equipment on a larger job would probably mean a much greater net profit. In building construction as well as in any other kind of contracting, the machine which makes the most efficient use of power gives the best performance, and it is for this reason that many electrical and other small contractors have modernized their concrete drilling with faster, cheaper equipment.

4. Does the owner want a clean cut, or is a ragged hole permitted? If the answer is a clean cut, then the tungsten-carbide drill is obviously indicated.
5. Is noise a factor in the job? This,

along with safety, is a more important consideration than might at first be suspected. The modern tungsten-carbide drill has now made it possible and practical to install steel partitions in offices or hospitals even while other

work is under way.

At Salt Lake City, Utah, an interesting example to prove this point recently came to light. General Electric Supply Co., a subsidiary of G-E, was having all of its communications lines revamped along modern lines. The job involved extensive drilling through the concrete floors and walls, and Wasatch Electric Co. of Salt Lake City had been given the contract for the work.

When James Freebourn, sales head when sames Precourt, sales head for our company, walked in and introduced himself, the purchasing agent was almost frantic. For days the pounding of hammers on star drills and the reverberation of jackhammers had dinned in his ears. When Free-bourn offered to demonstrate a fast drill bit which would penetrate the concrete with a minimum of noise, the purchasing agent was quick to give him an invitation.

Freebourn went out to his car, got an electric-drill motor and a 1-inch

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This is a detailed view of the bolted connection on a tilt-up building with one brace in place and the tole for another being drilled.

Rotary Konkrete Kore drill bit. By the time he got back, the Wasatch Electric Co. men had marked the spot Wasatch for the hole on the ornate floor of the

office Freebourn lightly scored the asphalt tile with a chisel and quickly bored straight down into the concrete floor. As a result of this demonstration Wasatch Electric Co. now uses this type of drill for its Salt Lake maintenance

Generally speaking, there are a number of tungsten-carbide bits which will handle holes up to ½ inch in diameter. The Tilden Rotary Konkrete Kore Drill comes in stock sizes up to 8 inches in diameter. Drills in sizes % inch and over have interchangeable shanks for drilling any depth of hole. The bits carry from 2 to 24 tungsten-carbide cutters and feature a full-length core slot and spiral fluting to clear the hole. Special treating permits the use of exceptionally hard grades of tungcarbide without the danger of breakage when the cutters go in service.

The design of concrete drills of the modern type is a relatively new science, and because the problem could be approached from scratch, it was pos-

sible to get the best performance to the tungsten-carbide cutters by taking into consideration the outer perime of the drill. On a solid-type bit, course, the rate of turning speed of outer perimeter is as important as it on a core drill, because if the perimeter rotates too rapidly the drill edge burn up. It is axiomatic that when a outer perimeter is turning at optimum speed the inner part near the cent is doing little or no cutting. And driller who has looked carefully at worn bit can verify this fundamen of drilling.

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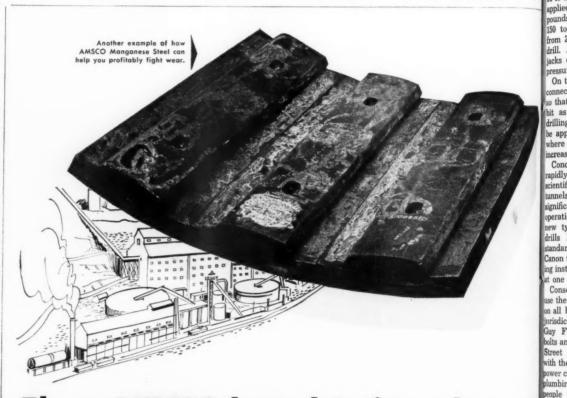
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In the case of core-type drills, how ever, the perimeter is the only pe which is assigned to the cutting pm cess. The inner part is used merely a receptacle to contain the drilled ma footage who le Mfg. C terial as it is broken up, and the slotte opening makes it easy to discard to particles. This design has done much to speed concrete drilling in building which is usually governed by factors noise, the desirability of speed, etc.

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The best drilling performance depends on sufficient power behind the drill bit. As a rule, the cutting speed depends on the rate of drill rotation and the amount of pushing force exerted assuming that drill sharpness and other such factors are equal. This dearly emplasizes the need to select a motor of sufficient horsepower to rotate the drill at optimum speed when the proper pushing force is applied.

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It is strange but true that tungstencarbide bits will drill many more linear feet of hole if the drill operator applies sufficient pressure to force the cutters rapidly through the concrete or steel. A drill which "rides" a cut without sufficient force will wear out in far less footage than one operated by a man who knows his business. Tilden Tool Mfg. Co. sharpens and dresses many of the bits it manufactures and sells, and by far the greater percentage of dulled bits were made so by under-performance rather than by overdrilling. From \$50 to 200-pound pressure may be safely applied to a ¼-inch bit. Up to 300 pounds can be applied to \$8-inch; from 150 to 500 pounds to a ¼-inch; and from 200 to 1,000 pounds to a ¾-inch drill. A good husky driller, a lever, or jecks can be used to apply the right pressure.

On the larger-diameter drills, a hose connection is supplied in many cases so that water can be used to cool the bit as it penetrates. On flat floor drilling, of course, water can often be applied manually. Water cooling, where it is practical, will do much to increase bit life.

Concrete drilling in buildings is rapidly approaching the same precise scientific level as that in mines or tunnels, where drilling costs are a significant part of the total cost of operation. As a matter of fact, the new type of tungsten-carbide rotary drills has now been introduced as standard equipment on the Demo-Canon tunneling machine, a giant drilling instrument mounting up to 30 drills at one setting.

Consolidated Hotels of Los Angeles use the improved drills and techniques on all building maintenance under the jurisdiction of this big hotel chain. Guy F. Atkinson is installing form bolts and stirrups on the new Colorado Street Bridge in Pasadena, Calif., with the help of such drills. Light and power companies, electrical contractors, plumbing concerns, and many other people in the building construction and maintenance field have been quick to adopt the new, improved drilling

The drills are serving a humanitarian purpose, too, in addition to their speed and noise reduction in hospitals. Folowing the tragic Kathie Fiscus incident wo years ago, when the little girl fell mto an abandoned well shaft, Los Anteles officials ordered all abandoned wells to be capped with steel and content. In many cases it was necessary to drill holes in reinforced concrete, so that lead lugs and bolts could be intalled to hold the steel covers. The job was done speedily and efficiently by the steel cover drills, in time to prevent other such tragedies.

It can truly be said that the tungten-carbide insert did as much for sulding-concrete drilling as it did for general construction work when ackhammers were introduced to replace the manual hand-held drills of 1908.

PCA Personnel Changes

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There have been four recent staff runctions in the Portland Cement Association, Chicago, Ill. G. Donald Kendely, formerly Assistant to the President, is now Vice President. W. D. M. Allen, formerly Director of Promotion, wile President for Promotion while taining his duties as Secretary. Miss

Evelyn Pinkerton and J. L. Schneider are appointed Assistant Secretaries of the Association.

Mr. Kennedy joined the Association in 1950 after many years of wide engineering experience, and Mr. Allan has been with the Association for 33 years. Miss Pinkerton, who joined the PCA in 1933, is the first woman officer in the Association's history. Mr. Schneider, with the Association since 1948, will continue his duties as Publications Editor of the Advertising & Publication Bureau in addition to his new responsibilities.

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being self-aligning, and the load is applied by a hand piston pump. 'A standard gage indicates loads from 30,000 to 300,000 pounds. A metric

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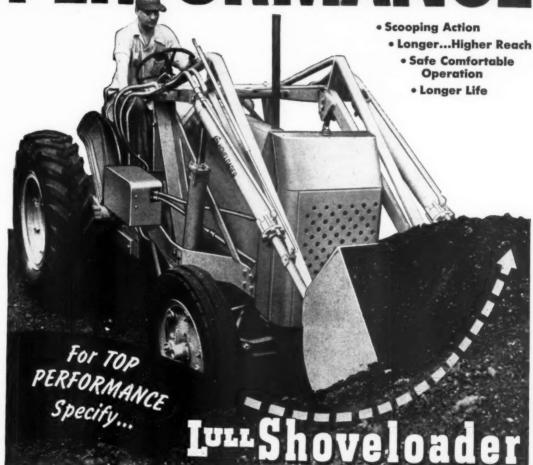
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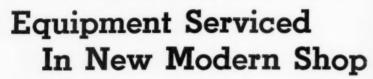
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Big overhead doors in the east and south walls of Stattery's maintenance shop at Maspeth, Long Island, roll up to permit entry of even the largest equipment.



Contractor's Headquarters Include Two New Buildings Where Repairs Are Handled by Own Maintenance Division

• THE Slattery Contracting Co., Inc., of New York City is a strong exponent of a contractor handling his own maintenance and repair of equipment. Headquarters for the company are at 46-36 54th Road, Maspeth, Borough of Queens, where two modern buildings house the offices, garage, and shop of the contractor's Maintenance Division. Each building has 100 x 100-foot overall dimensions, and all are enclosed within a 400 x 400-foot yard by a woven-wire fence.

Beyond the fence and south of the yard is considerable acreage which the company uses to store fill. Material spoiled here from excavation jobs is thus available for use on some other project where fill may be required. Slattery moved to these new quarters, built for and by the company, in August, 1950, from its previous location in Woodside, Queens.

The contractor's site is at practically the geographical center of New York City, where one might naturally expect a densely populated area. But this part of old Maspeth lying north of the headwaters of Newtown Creek, the Brooklyn-Queens boundary line, is given over to an unusual assortment of land uses including cemeteries, industrial sites, vintage homes, and extensive acreage of marginal ground. From Slattery's viewpoint the location is ideal. There is more than enough land available for storage of construction materials and an impressive array of equipment. All of the city's five boroughs are easily reached, with Manhattan only a few minutes away via the Queens-Midtown Tunnel which has an approach highway through Maspeth.

Busy Contractor

This central location is a distinct advantage to the Slattery firm which at present has some 22 contracts under way in the New York City area alone. Projects are primarily in the heavy and building fields, either as general contractor, subcontractor, or working with others on a joint venture. Slattery has

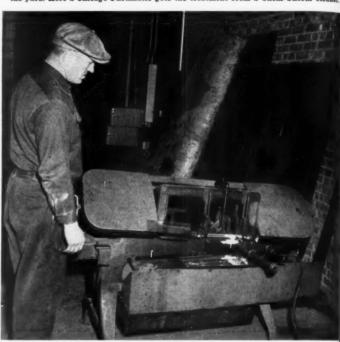
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In the garage a couple of Pretsch's men pump fuel into a Mack truck.



But before any piece of equipment is repaired or serviced it is steam-cleaned out the yard. Here a Chicago Pneumatic gets the treatment from a Chem-Therm cleans,



Inside the shop, a Kalamazoo metal-cutting saw cuts a piece of angle iron.



And here a Sioux 1/2-inch portable electric drill puts a hole in a piece of angle in

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specialized in excavations, foundations, and concrete work. Current local activities include the East Side Air Lines Terminal; New York University-Bellevue Medical Center; United Nations Headquarters; and a large public-busing development in the Bronx.

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Outside of New York, Slattery is engged on one of Pittsburgh's new skygrapers, and on the construction of Fairless Works, U. S. Steel Corp.'s allnew plant at Morrisville, Pa. On the latter project the Queens firm is teamed up with the Walsh Construction Co. of Davenport, Iowa; B. Perini & Sons, Inc., of Framingham, Mass.; and S. J. Groves Contracting Co. of Minneapolis, Minn. The firm has been in the contracting business for nearly 30 years, and is

The firm has been in the contracting business for nearly 30 years, and is headed by James M. Slattery, President. Company offices are in the two-story red-brick wing at the west end of the garage where trucks are stored and serviced. Overhead doors in the north and south walls open on the street and yard respectively.

Maintenance Division

West of the office is the Maintenance Division building, a steel, concrete, and brick structure that is fireproof throughout. The main portion, given over to the repair shop, has a 22-foot ceiling. Big overhead doors, 18 feet high x 16 feet wide, in the east and south walls open into the yard, and permit the entry of the largest piece of equipment into the shop. A central-heating plant, at basement level, contains a Fitzgibons boiler with a Petro oil burner that rovides heat for both buildings. Adjoining the shop is a shower and locker oof for the maintenance personnel. On a shelf in one corner of the shop is a pair of Ingersoll-Rand 5-hp compressure for the various air tools used the shop. Other equipment includes a Manley 60-ton press, a Kalamazoo metal-cutting saw that can go through an 8-inch shaft; and several Sioux elec-tric tools such as drills and grinders. At one end of the room is the K&G oxyacetylene welding equipment and the accompanying Linde tanks of oxygen and gas. Genex electrodes are used in arc welding, and P&H with stainless

In the garage there is another I-R compressor, up on a shelf out of the way. Underground along the yard side are the fuel and oil tanks. Standard Oil No. 2 high-speed diesel fuel is stored in two 2,000-gallon tanks, with similar storage facilities also for gasoline. RPM motor oil is kept in three 550-gallon tanks. Equipment is serviced with RPM lubricants used in Balcrank grease rigs. Sections of the garage are also used for storing plywood, steel, and rubber tires—the last either General or Fire-stone



Easter Mechanic Charlie Pretsch, at right, has been with Slattery for 25 Fears. With him is Purchasing Agent Jack Flanagan.



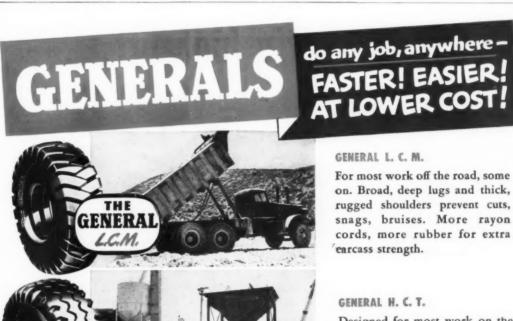
In the shop yard a Hughes-Keenan yard crane picks up a Page 11/2-yard drag bucket.

Servicing the Equipment Equipment is serviced by a crew of ten mechanics and three welders under the supervision of Charles "Dutch" Pretsch, Master Mechanic, who has been with Slattery for 25 of his 43 years. According to the stocky squarejawed Dutchman, practically every kind of repair to the construction machinery is made here in the shop, only crankshafts being sent elsewhere for regrinding. When a piece of equipment is in need of service or repair, it is sent in from the job and replaced by another unit.

With a small item, say a storage battery, this exchange is simple. The battery is renewed on a Willard charger and held until it is needed some place. With heavier pieces of equipment, lowbed trailers pulled by Mack tractors are sent out to bring in the machine. Slattery has built his own heavy I-beam trailers for special-purpose work with utility companies, and employs these in transporting equipment.

Major pieces of construction machinery in the Slattery lineup include: 3 Thew-Lorain 820 2-yard shovels; 2 Northwest 80-D 2½-yard shovels; 2 Northwest No. 6 1½-yard draglines; 13 truck cranes, of which there are 11

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Equipment Serviced In New Modern Shop

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Lorains, 1 Northwest, and 1 Koehring; 2 Hough HM Payloaders. Of the excavators, the Lorains are powered by Caterpillar D13000 diesel engines while the Northwests are equipped with Murphy diesels.

The contractor has 18 D7 and D8 tractors, a Caterpillar No. 112 motor grader, and an Allis-Chalmers Model 20 shovel-dozer. Drilling equipment takes in a good assortment of Ingersoll-Rand, Worthington, and Gardner-Denver wagon drills and jackhammers, together with a Joy Quarry Bar. Air for these units is supplied by 5 I-R, Worthington, or Chicago Pneumatic 500-cfm compressors, 2 Le Roi 600-cfm compressors, a 315-cfm Chicago Pneumatic on a Ford truck, and a 500-cfm Gard-ner-Denver on a Mack. For use with the drilling equipment there are 6 Kadco dust-control units.

Hauling is done with a fleet of Mack, LJ or NR, 10-wheel diesel true 8 Ford F8 dump or flatbeds, and Ford pickups. For welding there a 5 Lincoln, Hobart, or P&H 300-amp chines, while the pumping equipme includes 35 Marlows from 1½ to 11. inch in size. Shovel buckets are Ame clamshells are Haiss or Owen, and the drag buckets are Page.

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When equipment reaches the yard a any one of the four large transpo trailers, it is unloaded by perhaps truck or crawler crane that is on has or else by the all-purpose yard crass The latter is a Hughes-Keenan Rouse about crane with a 7½-ton lift. "Duty Pretsch redesigned this machine, sub stituting a %6-inch for the ½-inch a ble and adding a counterweight at the rear. The changes now permit the cra to handle easily 9 to 10-ton loads

Slattery's Master Mechanic is not o to accept a manufacturer's piece equipment as is, if he can improve to serve better the contractor's speci needs. He redesigns and rebuilds a and bodies for trucks, puts on differe and sturdier bumpers, ever aiming make a machine that will be strong and last longer in the punishing wo meted out by a contractor.

Even the A-frames or gantries on the

Northwest machines have been mod fied to the contractor's own specifications. Pretsch takes satisfaction in the fact that other contractors have co his adaptations, and redesigned the rigs after his ideas.

Nothing is discarded, either, beca of age, if it can still be put to use. To day we were on hand the maintenant man had overhauled an old Ford gu distribution truck that had be through many years of hard servic "I'm pensioning off this machine Pretsch said, grinning. "But it can a do a good job carrying around the Carrying around cago Pneumatic compressor I'm mouring on its flat bed." Before that w left the shop, heavier side plates w also put on the compressor to give increased rigidity.

Clean Them First

Before a piece of equipment is paired or serviced, it is first given thorough cleaning out in the yard w Chem-Therm steam cleaner Magnus 23-X soap powder. "That's big improvement over the old way used to clean with gasoline", Pres pointed out. "We don't get chapp hands anymore, and whatever it we're working on is really cleaned also dries rapidly so that we can mo it into the shop and start in on them pairs immediately. The machine bur clean, too, and has no objectional fumes

Within the shop the well train maintenance crew does its job quid and efficiently in pleasant, orderly roundings. Necessary repairs are m cables are replaced when needed wi Jones & Laughlin wire rope, fittings lubricated, and once more the mach is loaded onto a low-bed trailer to returned to the job.

Future plans for the Slattery Contracting Co. layout in Maspeth call the construction of a modern stor room, 40 x 100 feet, at the rear of maintenance shop, to replace the exi ing frame storage structure. Like two other buildings, it will be of latest design and construction.

Ryerson Holds Open Hou

To celebrate a large addition to St. Louis, Mo., plant of Joseph T. R erson & Son, Inc., steel distributor Chicago, Ill., the company held of house at the plant last June. John Acee, Plant Manager, was host, some 2600 guests were shown over new facilities and afterwards e tained at dinner.

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Australia's First Construction Fair

Australians have reason to congratulate themselves on the success of their first Construction Industries Fair and Convention which was held in Sydney last April (see C. & E. M., March, 1952, pg. 99). The fair, which was run along the lines of the ARBA Road Shows, featured Australian-made machines only, but most of these were produced in Australia under license from American companies. Over 50,000 people inspected the \$3,000,000 machine display, including such distinguished visitors as the Governor-General of Australia and the Governor and Premier of New South Wales. Apart from the construction machinery itself, great interest was shown in the exhibition arranged by certain government departments of models and illustrations of national works under construction in Australia.

At the 3-day convention from April 7 to 9, the speakers included the Honorable J. J. Cahill, Premier of New South Wales; Sir Douglas Copland, Vice Chancellor of the Australian National University; Dr. F. W. G. White, Chief Executive Officer of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization; Robert O. Lloyd, past President of the National Federation of Building Trades Employers of Great Britain and head of a team that went to the United States to study production methods; M. R. Hornibrook, Managing Director of M. R. Hornibrook Pty., Ltd., contractor, and Vice President of the Australian Institute of Builders; and Brigadier C. Cameron, Managing Director of Port Jackson & Manly Steam Ship Co., Ltd.

Their addresses ranged over the economic implications of public works for national development in Australia; the application of science to construction; methods to increase productivity; the use and care of machines on construction projects; and water transportation. A construction clinic was a popular item and comprised a series of short discussions on such problems as dewatering; communications on construction jobs; safety; cranes and hoists; rock excavation; soil treatment for foundation; open-cut coal stripping; tunneling; and equipment utilization.

New Roller Chain Is Self-Lubricated

A roller chain incorporating oil-impregnated sintered metal bushings has been introduced by Whitney Chain Co., Hartford, Conn. Advantages are that it requires little or no lubrication and will operate where conventional lubrication methods are either not possible or undesirable, the company says. For example, chain drives are often employed in areas containing considerable grit or abrasive material, and under these conditions, they have to be operated without lubrication of any sort, as external oiling of the drive results in a materially decreased service life.

a materially decreased service life. In a recent laboratory test a %-inchpitch oil-impregnated sintered bushing chain and a %-inch-pitch standard moller chain, prelubricated to the best practice, were installed on 19 and 45tooth sprockets having a center dis-



At the Sydney (Australia) Construction Pair, left to right: Dr. T. H. Upton (behind the boy), President of the Sydney Water Board; A. A. Losch, General Manager of LeTourneau (Aust.) Pty., Ltd.; Sir William McKell, Governor General of Australia; and G. W. Thomson, General Manager of Tutt Bryant, Ltd. That's an Allers ED-20 equipped with a LeTourneau Angledozer in the background.

tance of 8.75 inches. The two chains were then run under a 10-hp load at 1,900 rpm. At the end of 20 hours of operation, the standard prelubricated roller chain showed wear or elongation of 0.380 inch while the oil-impregnated sintered bushing chain showed 0.080 inch. This indicated an increase of several hundred per cent in anticipated service life.

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 442.

Truck-Mixer Information

A bulletin available from Chain Belt Co., 4666 W. Greenfield Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis., covers the Rex Moto-Mixer. This truck mixer is made in 5½ and 7-yard models; it features flexibility in mounting, flexibility of truck choice, water tank over cab, and end loading with closed rear end.

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New Side-Dump Bodies

A new line of side-dump truck bodies for heavy-duty applications is announced by The Galion Allsteel Body Co., Galion, Ohio. The Roll-Overs are available in many sizes and capacities They are entirely mechanical in op-eration, can dump either right or left, and can be mounted on all standard trailers.

The self-contained subframe consists of three heavy box-type outrigger cross members. Front and rear outriggers are built with a series of gear-like teeth which roll inside the formed channel tracks welded to the body. This construction locks the body in a station-ary position and is said to prevent its forward or backward movement on the subframe.

The main locking mechanism is a down-pull spring-loaded-type plunger pin which engages in a socket that is built into an angle welded to the head of the body. The lock pin is actuated by a lever mounted on an A-type frame



The Galion side-dump body, the Roll-Over, is entirely mechanical in operation and can dump right or left. It can be used as a single unit or in "trains".

welded to the front of the subframe. The lever can be operated from either side of the body.

For dumping, the driver disengages the spring-lock chain on the side of the opposite to that from which the load is to discharge, then releases the plunger lock lever. Bodies can

righted manually or by a slight snaking

movement of the truck.

In addition to their uses as single units, Roll-Overs can be employed in "trains" by installing one or two bodies on a trailer, and a third or fourth on an attached dolly trailer. With the 'train" system, more than 50 yards of

material can be handled with m tractor, the company states

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Bulletin on Drill Bits

A bulletin on a line of drill bits is offered by Mackintosh-Hemphill Co., 901 Bingham St., Pittsburgh 3, Pa. Throwaway bits are not threaded or locked to the drill rod. The bit socker placed on the drill rod, twisted slightly, and then forced on by striking on a hard surface. A pull-off force of about 20,000 psi can be attained with knock-off tool.

The bits are blunt, with hardener

cutting edges. Wide channels between cutters and large overhang are said to provide fast and clean drilling. Model are made with a large center or side hole to minimize plugging.

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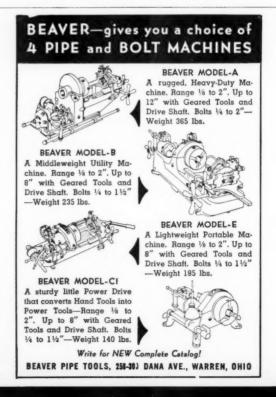
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Executive Secretary, Box 667, Albany, N. Y.

Pennsylvania Is Top For 1951 Highway Work

Pennsylvania took an easy first place for 1951 highway construction and maintenance expenditures, according to statistics compiled by the American Road Builders' Association, Washing-

ton, D. C.
The Pennsylvania Department of
Highways 1951 figure was \$116,059,000 for construction, including state high-way and Bridge Authority expendi-tures. North Carolina came second, with \$99,586,000; Texas third, with \$91,-972,927; New York fourth, with \$90,-536,000. As regards maintenance, there 336,000. As regards maintenance, there is Pennsylvania at the top again, with \$22,131,000 spent on improvements, snow removal, and other "housekeeping" details along the 41,000-mile state highway system. Texas is second in maintenance with \$29,274,337; and New York third, with \$27,315,000.

It looks as if it will be the same story in 1952. Estimates for this year show that Pennsylvania's probable expenditures in construction will be \$125,000,-000. North Carolina plans to spend \$100,000,000; New York \$95,000,000; and Texas and California \$90,000,000 each. E. L Schmidt, Pennsylvania Secretary of Highways, said recently that in past five years his state had averaged more than \$105,000,000 per year for construction, reconstruction, and resurfacing, and last year alone it built 2365.66 miles of new roadway.

ISEA Annual Election

Industrial Safety Equipment Asso-ciation, Inc., New York, N. Y., held its annual meeting last June at Hot Springs, Va. Elections included: President: Edison L. Wheeler, Wheeler Protective Apparel Co.; Vice President: S. C. Herbine, Willson Products Co.; Trustees: J. B. Davies, Mine Safety Appliances Co., and F. R. Davis, Jr., Davis Emergency Equipment Co.

Carrying over as members of the Board are: J. A. Brewer, Industrial Gloves Co.; G. M. Glidden, Acme Protection Equipment Co.; and Charles H. Gallaway, American Optical Co., who has been ISEA President for the past wo years. Mr. Gallaway has also been elected to the Board of Directors of the National Safety Council and will be able to serve as liaison officer between the Association and the National Safety Council.

William L. Lewis

William L. Lewis, President of the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co., New York, N. Y., died June 28 at the age of 68. Associated with the company for 22 years, he had served as top executive



Fast, smooth cuts and easy blade re-sharpening are features of the 14-pound-weight power saw.

Precision Power Saw

A new air-powered saw for all types of wood cutting is announced by Wright Power Saw & Tool Corp., 292 Longbrook Ave., Stratford, Conn. The 14-pound saw is equipped with new Universal blades for fast cutting and is said to be easy to handle. It operates from any 60-cfm or larger compressor. There is no kick upon completion of a cut and the blades are forward and away from the operator so that no guards are required, says Wright. This permits an unobstructed view of the cutting line.

The company points out that underwater sawing is one of the important features of the saw. Others include

ordinary motor grader to become un-

manageable.

simplified resharpening, changing, and setting of the blades; and the fact that the saw stops instantly when the throttle is released.

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Trailmobile Appointments

Two appointments to top sales posi tions have been announced by Trail-mobile, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio. Joseph O. Young, former Branch Sales Man-ager, has been named General Operaager, has been handed General Opera-tions Manager; and Harry Eyler, former Manager of the company's West Central Sales Division, has been pro-moted to the post of General Sales Manager. Mr. Young joined Trailmobile in 1931, Mr. Eyler in 1940.

A further appointment is that of Rufus B. Jones, a member of the company's Advertising Department since 1950, to the position of Industry Service Director. In this capacity he will spearhead Trailmobile's program stressing the importance of better roads to the nation's economy, and will represent the company at national and state conventions in the industry.



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How Air-Entrainment Relates Age-Strength

Report by BPR Shows That Age Does Not Cause a Further Reduction in Compressive and Flexural Strength of Air-Entrained Concrete

• THE standard 28-day concrete test shows that initially air-entrainment lowers the compressive and flexural strength of concrete by about 10 per Structural engineers have felt that improved workability, uniformity, and durability make up for this reduction. But many designers have won-dered uneasily whether the concrete undergoes a further reduction in strength as it ages.

This question has been answered in an article in the June issue of *Public Roads* by Frank H. Jackson, Supervising Highway Physical Research En-

gineer of the Bureau of Public Roads. Reporting on tests begun as early as 1944, he presents data which show that per cent reduction in compressive and flexural strength can be expected up to and including 5 years. This is for typical Class A structural concrete (6 sacks per cubic yard and 3-inch slump).

The report also indicates that ce-ments relatively low in tricalcium aluminate develop concretes higher strengths after a year or more than the higher-percentage cements.

Procedure

Eight portland cements, two from each of four manufacturers, were used. For the purpose of comparison, tests were made without any agent and also with enough neutralized Vinsol resin to produce an air content of about 4 per Standard 6 x 12-inch cylinders for compressive strength, and $6 \times 6 \times 20$ inch beams for flexural strength, were tested. On both types of specimens, determinations were made after 7 days, 28 days, 1 year, and 5 years of moist

storage. Mixing, molding, curing, and testing operations were conducted on specimens in accordance standard procedures.

In all cases, the tests showed that entrained air lowered strength at each age. Reduction of compressive strength varied from 5 to about 19 per cent, de-pending upon the cement; flexural strength ranged from 3 to 21 per cent less. The average for both after 5 years was about 10 per cent.

Jackson points out that although a reduction of 20 per cent may seem serious, the air-entrained concrete even in this case gave a value of 4,180 psi, roughly 40 per cent higher than that usually assumed when designing Class A structural concrete.

These reductions, he adds, are based on laboratory tests of carefully con-trolled concrete mixtures; they do not take into account the improved quality of the field mixtures of air-entrained concrete. Also, non-air-entrained concrete loses considerably more strength under severe weather conditions than air-entrained concrete.

In flexure, the lowest strength was 535 psi at 28 days, somewhat lower than the 550 psi at 14 days used as a design requirement. Here Jackson recom-mends that where siliceous aggregates, similar to those in these tests, are used in pavement concrete, the cement content should be determined by laboratory test.

With respect to cement composition, the tests show in general that concrete containing Type II cement, although low in early strength, is apt to exceed the strength of concrete containing Type I cement by substantial amounts at later ages.

A New Pusher Unit

A new pusher unit is offered by R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., Peoria 1, Ill. The Tournatractor is a new version of the Super C Tournadozer with the dozer blade and controls, power control unit, and A-frame omitted. In place of these is a 3 x 15-inch billet, spanning the width of the machine. On the billet is

a large pusher plate.
The Tournatractor can be equipped with a torque converter as original equipment and is said to be equally adaptable to pulling operations either with a rear power-control unit or with its drawbar alone. For use as a dozer,



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Wedge-Grip clamps for concrete forms eliminate nails and drill holes. They are said to be rigid and easy to strip.

Concrete-Form Clamps

New clamps for holding concrete forms are available from The Neptune Mfg. Co., 3250 E. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 23, Calif. They are light in weight and of one-piece malleable casting. There are no parts to assemble, no nails to drive or pull, and no holes to drill, according to the company. The clamps are said to be rigid and easy

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Wedge-Grip clamps are designed to hold forms on inside and outside corners, columns, panels, beam sides, etc. They automatically grip one timber while wedging another into non-slip position.

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Nordberg Appoints Wenzel

Otto G. Wenzel has recently been appointed Sales Engineer in the Heavy Machinery Division of Nordberg Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—with headquar-ters in New York. Mr. Wenzel has wide experience in the handling and sale of diesel engines; he was employed for some years as Service Engineer to test marine diesels on U. S. Navy submarines; he trained Navy personnel in the operation of submarine diesels; he worked with General Machinery Co. as Works Manager, Diesel Engine Division, and when General Machinery merged with the Locomotive Works of Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., he became its Eastern Sales Manager, Diesel Engine Division.

Tagline and Dipper Trip

A combination tagline and dipper trip is the subject of a folder offered by Morin Mfg. Co., Inc., 946 Elm St., West Springfield, Mass. The Tag Master is said to maintain control at all bucket levels. It can be operated manually to cast, twist, and snub a

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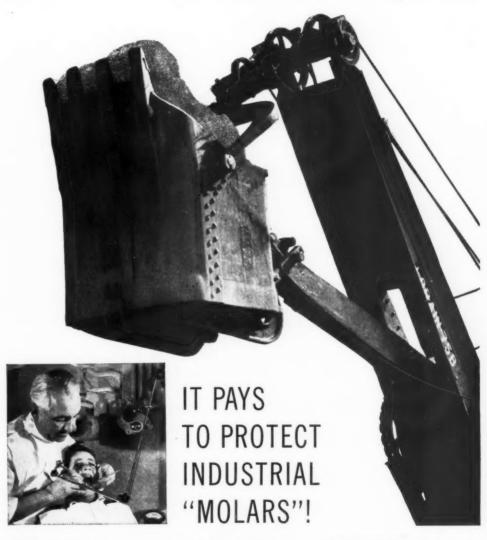
and on its safety.

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Asphalt Institute Promotes

George H. Dent, a senior engineer in the Asphalt Institute, New York, N. Y., has been promoted to the post of Division Engineer. In his new position, he will have supervisory duties over Division I of the Institute's field engineering staff. This division includes New Ing stair. This division includes New England, the balance of the Atlantic Seaboard states, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana. Five district offices—at Boston, New York, Wash-ington, Atlanta, and New Orleans—will be under Mr. Dent's supervision. Mr. Dent will continue to make his headquarters in Washington, D. C.





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The nation's highway system has received record Congressional backing in the recent enactment of an all-timehigh Federal-Aid highway bill. For each of the two fiscal years 1954 and 1955, there is a Federal-Aid allocation of \$575,000,000, to be matched by participating states (a breakdown of the state allocations is shown in the accompanying table). A controversial provision to permit the transfer of funds between the secondary and primary systems was eliminated before presentation of the bill to Congress. An innovation is the setting up of a special fund (\$25,000,000 a year) for the development of the interstate system.

Other major items covered in the new bill include: forest highways, \$22,-500,000; forest roads and trails, \$22,-500,000; park service roads, \$10,000,000; parkways, \$10,000,000; increase for the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, \$1,-500,000; Indian roads, \$10,000,000; public-lands roads, \$2,500,000; emergency fund, \$10,000,000; Inter-American High-

way, \$8,000,000; defense access road; \$50,000,000; Highway Safety Conference, \$150,000; Rama Road, Nicaragu; \$2,000,000.

The new Act constitutes an increase of \$75,000,000 over the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1950 and is greatly in excess of the \$400,000,000 suggested by the President.

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W. H. Pfarrer, Vice President, Sala and Engineering, for the Morris Machine Works, Baldwinsville, N. Y. manufacturer of solids-handling pump is now located at the company's Chago office, 211 W. Wacker Drive. It will take over all sales and engineering in the territory formerly managed by F. S. Salchenberger, who died in June



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The old days when a rotary operator had to crowd his machine in close, only to have shear pins snap when the pickup mechanism started to operate efficiently, are over. The 4-wheelsteer mounting now lets a rotary operator make one cut through drifted snow with no danger of getting stuck. Many mow fighters in Idaho can still remem ber vividly the days not too long ago when a rotary never moved into a drift more than the length of the mathine. Unless the machine backed up to make a widening cut for maneuvering room, it was soon stuck fast.
"The 4-wheel steering costs a little

nore initially, but it certainly pays off in efficiency in the long run", explained Norman L. McCrea, Idaho's Maintenance Engineer at Boise. "We are using this type of mounting more and more, and it's more than justified

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The type of truck on which the snow equipment is mounted is the standard neavy-duty mutiple-wheel-drive made by such outfits as FWD, Coleman Marmon-Herrington, Oshkosh, and Walter. As a matter of fact, all of these makes are represented in Idaho's now fleet, which is growing steadily bigger with each passing year as better now-removal maintenance is

nanded by the public.
"It used to be that you could let a mad snow in for a day or two, and nothing would be hurt", McCrea ex-plained. "Not now. School consolidaions have done more than anything else to make 24-hour snow removal a On most of our school-bus routes we have to get out and clear the now away before the first morning us starts out for the kids."

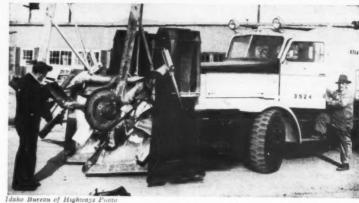
Snow Sometimes Severe

Idaho, like many another state, has vinters which can seldom be called "typical". There are times when snow equipment sits idle in a maintenance ward, but, more often than not, there is ore snow than the equipment can handle. Idaho has 4,500 miles of statemaintained highways in a variety of topography. There are 20 major mountin passes on the highway system, in-duding such points as Lookout Pass on U.S. 10 on the Idaho-Montana border where snow practically every year ex-ceeds 110 inches. Idaho has glare ice, freezing mist, winter rain, and temeratures which plummet down to 30

As a result of these conditions, snow moval has grown from a slow start to today's mechanized radio-directed operation. Today only four passes in the state are allowed to snow in: Galena Summit on U. S. 93, Mores Creek Summit on State Route 21, Wayan-Freedom Pass on State Route 34, and Cave Falls Pass on State Route 47. All of these passes are in back country in seldom-traveled areas.

The winter of 1950-51 was much more early normal than the two previous nes. Snow consisted of frequent light storms. By plowing constantly with ight equipment, crews removed virtually all the material in time to keep a snow floor from building up on the paved surface. Incidentally, Idaho uses motor graders to blade snow cake off the pavement. If the floor is too tough for a straight cutting edge, the operators change to a serrated edge to get the job done.

Idaho has a peculiar winter-weather condition, prevalent over most of the state, which can turn a highway into a solid chunk of glare ice in a matter of minutes. Thawing and freezing, or raining and freezing, is common. which slippery conditions always follow, sand is used, principally in pure form. It is stockpiled at con-



Summertime is the season for snowplow repairs and reconditioning. An FWD-truck-mounted plow gets a thorough inspection.

venient locations, and is spread either by hand from trucks, or by automatic Where sand is not sand spreaders. available, crushed rock and cinders are used. There are very few sand

bunkers. Salt has been tried in some areas, and it always helps to prevent the sand from freezing. It also helps to thaw ice on highways.

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Rear-Wheel Steering Speeds Snow Removal

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Drifting is always a problem, espe-cially in the southern and central part of the state where desert-like condi-tions prevail. About 750,000 linear feet of woven-slot snow fence was used last year to control snow drifting, and some trenching was also done. cultivated areas the snow fence has to be removed each spring and replaced again the following fall, so it becomes a costly operation. In late years, new-construction design has taken the snow-drift factor into consideration as much as possible, and more wind-swept sections are planned for the future.

Equipment and Methods

Equipment is spread throughout the 6 maintenance districts, located at Pocatello, Shoshone, Boise, Lewiston, Coeur d'Alene, and Idaho Falls. It includes



Snogos at work to open Galena Summit U. S. 93. A yearly spring-cleaning tob.

182 light trucks with blade or V-type plows, and 60 heavy trucks with V's and wings. There are 15 truckmounted rotaries, including 3 Bros and 12 Snogo machines.

Auxiliary equipment to help out includes 54 motor graders of various types, 10 tractors with dozers or Vplows, 31 sanding machines, 3 buckettype loaders, and 39 front-end tractor

Methods generally are patterns after those of most other states whi mountain country and hear snow. The light trucks are the in line of defense, followed by V's a rotaries as the going gets roughe Very little additional equipment; Very little additional equipment in rented in a normal season, since it is usually more economical to make moves with State-owned machines.

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programed for snow removal each year nobody can predict very accurate just what will happen until the la pass is cleared in late spring. 1947-48 season was a normal one, as the cost of snow removal for 450 miles of the state highway system in to \$362,000. The winter of 1948.4 was one of the worst on record, a costs mounted to \$822,000. Another bad season was 1949-50, with \$572.00 expended for snow removal and sand ing. The winter of 1950-51 was againg.

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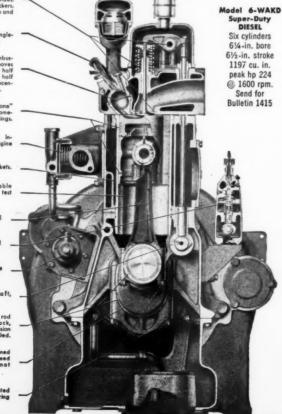
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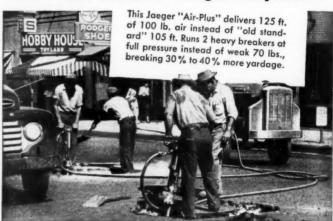
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A New Radio System

A radio network is aiding the snow fighters enormously. It was back in 1949 that Idaho began to invest money in a state-wide radio system. Five base stations and about 50 mobile units are now in operation, and the building has been constructed for the sixth base station. Equipment is either Link or General Electric.

The efficiency of the radio system is best noted during severe storms, because often the operators can call for help when they get into trouble, and units close by can come to their aid. The value to supervisors in knowing at all times the progress and location of equipment is inestimable. Many hours are saved by radio communica-tion when a transfer of equipment to troubled areas is necessary.

During storms, highway conditions change by the minute. Schools, school s, and the general public now have first-hand information on road conditions. It is also supplied to local radio stations, papers, and motor clubs.

New Load Policy

An aftermath of winter is always the extensive damage done to highways by heavily loaded vehicles, especially when frost leaves the ground after a winter of very little heavy snow. For many years Idaho did the best it could with this problem, partic-ularly with regard to heavy logging trucks which operate on the highway system.

Last year the new Idaho Highway Commission and Chief Engineer E. V. Miller decided to do something positive to protect the investment of money in a highway plant. A firm, fair policy of load-limit enforcement was formulated and posted all over the Its language was clear and to

the point. It read:
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"It will further be the policy of the Department not to post any state high-way permitting loads in excess of legal



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This is the kind of thing that is death to a frost-weakened highway. An overloaded truck bogs down on a newly thawed road.

limits as defined by Chapters 5 and 217, Idaho Code Annotated, with regard to

height, width, length, and weight.
"Checking and weighing stations are being installed at various points throughout the state. All matters necessary to accomplish enforcement will be

effective by January 1, 1952. All operators on state highways affected are hereby notified to make all necessary changes in equipment to comply with the Idaho Code before January 1, 1952.

"It will be the positive policy of the

Idaho State Highway Department to strictly enforce the law in this regard." It may seem tough, but Idaho's high-

way officials believe it is necessary to protect the system. Recently Miller protect the system. said that \$170,000,000 was needed to bring Idaho's highway system up to modern standards, and the protection of what roads the state now has is vital if new construction money is to be spent on necessary projects.

From the extensive mechanization of snow-removal work, the attention to winter load damage, and the new "tougher" enforcement policy, it seems certain that wintertime in Idaho will not continue to be the worst time of the year for the state highway system.

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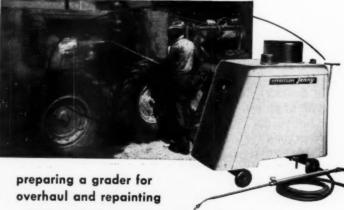
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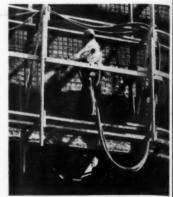
Rotary Compressor To Speed Guniting

The pneumatic application of concrete can be speeded up about 25 per cent by the use of a newly developed 600-cfm rotary-type air compressor, according to Harvey Hanna, President of Hanna, Zabriskie & Daron, Detroit Gunite contractor. The firm recently installed an Ingersoll-Rand Gyro-Flow 600 powered by a 6-cylinder GM diesel engine.

Mr. Hanna explains that the com-pressed-air motor which drives the mechanism of each Cement Gun requires approximately 60 cubic feet of air per minute. With the new 600-cfm compressor, after the demand for two Cement-Gun air motors is met, there remains 240 cfm for conveying the dry cement-sand mixture from each of two guns through the material hose to the point of application. Hence the extra speed. On a recent job involving over 67,000 square feet of 2-inch wall on a high industrial building, progress was consistent at 100 square feet per gun per hour.

Catalog on Motor Grader

A new 16-page catalog on the Model AD-40 motor grader has been issued by Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee 1, Wis. It describes the unit's special applications, control system, operating convenience, and service. The AD-40 weighs 23,000 pounds and has 6 forward and 3 reverse gears. It features hydraulic power steering, operating



Gunite production on the 67,00 foot wall job was 100 square feet per

ease, and a 104-hp diesel engine.

This literature may be obtained from the company, or by using the Request Card at page 16. Circle No. 403.

Republic Rubber Promotions

Richard N. Benson, Peter D. O'Neill and Stephen P. Terlecky have been pro moted to the position of field engineer for the Republic Rubber Division of Lee Rubber & Tire Corp., Youngstown Ohio. These three were the first sale trainees hired under the company's new sales-training program inaugu-rated in June, 1951. Benson and O'Nell will be with Republic's Chicago district office; Terlecky, with the Philadelphia district office.



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County Gets First Bridge Of Prestressed Concrete

Brown County, Wis., is sold on prestressed concrete. Last June 11, as part of the county highway improvement program, the first deck of Wisconsin's first prestressed bridge was laid in place. Two hours later, traffic crossed the bridge.

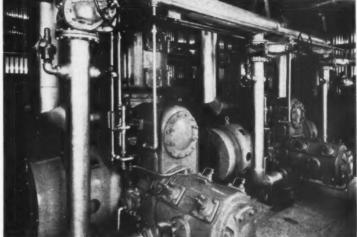
The contractor for this bridge and others to follow is the F. Hurlbut Co., Green Bay, Wis., under U. S. Concrete Products Co. license. Highway crews set the abutments for this 18-foot-span bridge. Hurlbut, meanwhile, was precasting the nine prestressed decks. These 5-ton decks (3 feet wide x 20 feet 6 inches long) are pierced by 7-strand steel wires. The wires were stretched tight under great pressure, and concrete was then poured around them.

Said Brown County Highway Commissioner, E. F. Brunette, "In comparison to reinforced concrete, these decks are less than half as heavy and use very much less steel. Steel is hard to get, but fortunately we can go right on with our schedules with a material which is stronger, lighter, quicker to get and to build with, and a lot less expensive. It's a new experience to order a concrete bridge and have it delivered. And it's a new experience to signal traffic across about two hours later."

Bulletin on Applications Of Explosive-Type Drivers

New applications of explosive-type driving tools are illustrated in a bulletin issued by Powder Power Tool Corp., 6705 S. W. Woods St., Portland 1, Oreg. It shows the Drive-It 400 anchoring wooden braces on a concrete bridge, fastening door and window frames, and securing ladders and brackets aboard ship. Safety features of the unit are also described.

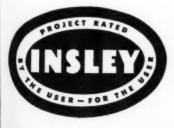
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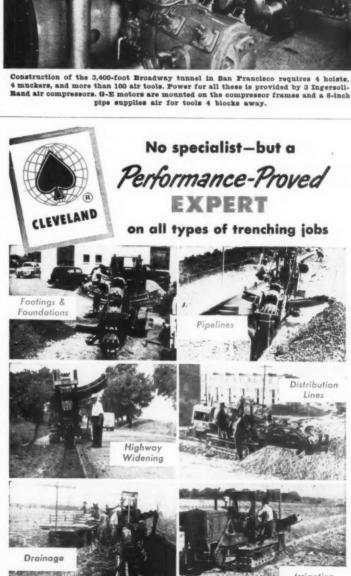


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Streamlined Sales and Service Road Builders Equipment Co., Memphis, Tenn., distributor for International Harvester and other nationally known construction equipment, is going fullsteam ahead with a plan for top sales and service efficiency. "Project 1000", conceived by Ernest Higginbotham, late President of Road Builders, and directed by R. A. Baird III, Service Director, has as its aim the development of the company's parts and service departments so that they will be second to none.

Road Builders is not going to be satisfied with telling a customer that a part is not available, even though the company is plagued by the usual lack of storage space. Project 1000 is expected to increase the storage capacity

of the parts area some 30 per cent, by a careful review of stocks to eliminate those items that have not moved in two years, while still maintaining some that are considered critical in spite of slow are considered critical in spite of slow movement. Other space-stretching methods are the use of dividers to ac-commodate more small parts in the cubic-inch space of the larger bins; review of parts locations to make the faster-moving items the most accessible; and a complete re-examination of the stock-recording system.

As to service, Road Builders divides

this problem into two phases: (a) serv ing the customer in the field; and (b) serving him in the shop. In order to satisfy customers' needs in both respects the company has decided on decen-tralization of management and division



This view of Road Builders Equipment Co.'s Parts Department gives some idea the service customers receive. The two in the photo are being served by Joe Mor (left) and Harold Lowrie (right), Parts Men. E. T. Reddin, Parts Manager, is the center behind the counter.

of personnel. Mr. Baird has under him a field service supervisor and a shop service supervisor each with his own

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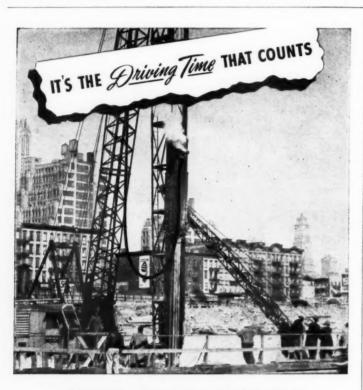
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portance, as Mr. Baird thinks a customer who brings in his equipment can expect a more efficient job than the one who has repairs done in the field under unfavorable working conditions. For this reason, the greater number of service men operate in the shop, but the field section may draw upon shop personnel in an emergency. For their part, field men, when not fully occupied in the field, work in the shop, or make courtesy calls on customers to offer advice on preventive maintenance and recommend in-the-shop service.

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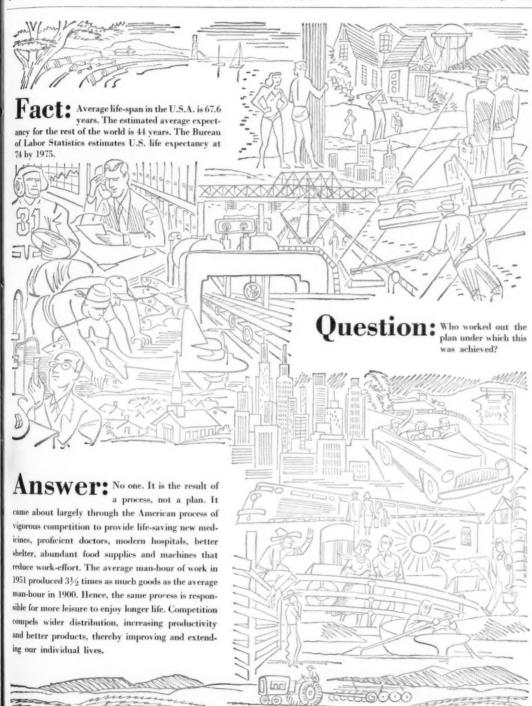
Prompt Delivery to Canyon Customer

It isn't every day that Poole-Krieger Implement Co., Redmond, Oreg., has to make deliveries of construction equipment to purchasers who have to use it at the bottom of a canyon. But that is what happened when Opal Springs Water District, a privately owned concern which furnishes most of the water for Culver, Madras, and Metolius, Jeferson County, Oreg., bought a Caterpillar D4 tractor and bulldozer. The

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A section of a Caterpillar D4 tractor arrives at the bottom of Crooked River Canyon after a 1,500-foot trip on a highline. Poole-Krieger Implement Co., Redmond, Oreg., sold the tractor with bulldozer to Opal Springs Water District. When reassembled after its adventurous trip, the machine went to work building a canal.



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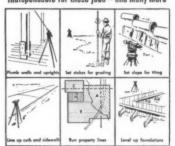
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company wanted to use the machine in the construction of a new canal to divert water from Opal Springs to power new pumps which would increase the gallonage of water pumped out of Crooked River Canyon. Opal Springs is a pure-water spring

of unlimited quantity, gushing from the bottom of Crooked River Canyon, and the distance from the surrounding country to the riverbed is 1,000 feet. To reach it, there is a choice of two routes—a tortuous trail down the cliff, and a highline constructed on a bench 500 feet straight up from the riverbed. On this bench there is a 30-foot highline tower and winch platform, the line covering a distance of 1.500 feet from

the tower to the landing below. Poole-Krieger chose the latter alternative for its tractor-bulldozer, but it meant dismantling the machine into loads of 4 tons or less to correspond with the winch capacity. However, the whole of the machinery was landed in one day the tractor-bulldozer was reassembled the next day, and promptly went to work on the canal.

Allis-Chalmers Names Four

Four firms have recently joined the stributor roster of Allis-Chalmers

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Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.
Emsco Electric Supply Co., 611 W.
Grand Ave., Oklahoma City, Okla.,
has taken on Allis-Chalmers motors, in controls, pumps, and transformers in 22 Oklahoma counties. Head of the firm is O. H. Elledge, and T. W. Cline is Sales Manager. Electric Motor Co., 231 Imperial Ave., Calexico, Calif., distributes the same lines, plus Texrope drive equipment, in Imperial County, Cali-fornia. W. N. Glaze is President and his partner is V. L. Easley. Electrical

Equipment Co., 301 W. State Blvd., Fort Wayne, Ind., will serve in the same capacity in Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Noble, Whitley, Wells, Adams, and Steuben Counties in Indiana. Owner of the firm is A. D. Connelly.

Electrical Supply Corp., 421 Avenue, Lubbock, Texas, is distributor for A-C transformers in 14 northwest and northwest-central counties in Texas, and in four east and southeast counties in New Mexico, President is G. C. Was-W. Karnes is Vice President; and Cliff Robinson is Sales Manager.

Two Western Dealers for Waco

Two new California dealers have taken on Waco scaffolding made by Wilson-Albrecht Co., Inc., Minneapolis, Minn. They are: Waco Scaffolding Co., 535 E. Channel St., Stockton, for the Stockton and Merced area; and Laurence Myers & Co., 666 Mission St., San Francisco, for the San Francisco Bay area. Sam Wallach is General Manager of Waco Scaffolding Co., and Jock Hemingway is General Manager of the

separate Waco Division established Laurence Myers & Co. Both distribute firms will merchandise the entire lin of Waco scaffolding, including ground scaffolding, mason and scaffold jack material-hoisting towers, and portal

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Browning-Ferris Machinery exas equipment distributor, Texas opened its fourth branch. The new of fice is at Greggton, Texas, the other three being at Dallas, Houston, and Lubbock. As well as being the latest the Greggton branch is the largest of Browning-Ferris' offices. It has mon than 50,000 square feet of floor space and a spur track for 15 freight can with facilities for car-door loading. The new plant carries a complete line d parts, with day and night service avail. able, and it maintains two mobile selfcontained field units.

L. C. Fuller, Vice President in Charge (Concluded on next page)

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of Operations in north and west Texas, is in control of the Greggton office, and Frank Tucker is Manager. Field service representatives are Tex Elmore and S. R. Myszkowski; salesmen are George Harris, Bill Langham, and J. M.

Brush Aboe Appoints Distributors
As part of a sales-reorganization pro gram, Brush Aboe, Inc. (formerly known as Aboe, Inc.), New York, N. Y., has decentralized responsibility for sales of the Petter small diesel engine and has appointed a number of distributors. Among those already named

to provide sales and service facilities in their districts are: Atlantic Equipment Co., Boston, Mass.; Beland-Cross, Inc., Co., Boston, Mass.; Beland-Cross, Inc., New York, N. Y.; Motor Parts Machine Co., Seattle, Wash.; Shepherd Tractor & Equipment Co., Los Angeles, Calif.; West Coast Engine & Equipment Co., Berkeley, Calif.; and Universal Dis-tributors, Inc., Dallas, Texas.

Petter diesels come in 3 to 36-hp sizes and include two lightweight aircooled engines developing 6 and 12 hp at 1,800 rpm respectively.

Euclid Midwest Appointments

Two new distributors have been announced by The Euclid Road Machinery Co., Cleveland, Ohio, manufacturer of earth-moving equipment. Cunningham-Ortmayer Co., Milwaukee, Wis., is the new dealer for the state of Wisconsin and Butler-Sparks Equipment Co., Oklahoma City, Okla., will represent Euclid in Oklahoma.

C. G. Ortmayer is President of Cunningham-Ortmayer, which maintains

branches in Eau Claire and Green Bay. Butler-Sparks, which operates a branch in Tulsa, is headed by E. A.

Walton Equipment Co. Elections

Franklin P. Walton is the new President and General Manager of Walton Equipment Co., Inc., New York, N. Y., distributor of Insley, Gruendler, Wick-wire, Ruger, Fageol, Apsco, Miller, and other construction and material-handling equipment. E. C. Homolka was elected Vice President in charge of the Service and Parts Departments at Lodi, N. J.; N. P. Walton, Jr., founder of the company, was re-elected Treasurer; and L. H. Rosoff was re-elected Secretary.

Cleaver-Brooks Appoints Mason

Mason Equipment Co., 2281 Wildwood Blvd., Toledo, Ohio, is a newly appointed distributor for Cleaver-Brooks Co., Milwaukee, Wis., manufacturer of heat-generating equipment.

Mason Equipment will cover a territory including nine counties in northwestern Ohio, and the Cleaver-Brooks products it handles will include mobile steam boilers; oil-fired, gas-fired, and combination oil and gas-fired boilers: distillation equipment; hot-water generators; and bituminous heating equipment.

Joy Appoints Florida Distributor

Florida-Georgia Tractor Co., 3139 N. Miami Ave., Miami, Fla., has become distributor in southern Florida for Joy Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., manufacturer of stationary and portable air compressors, rock drills, paving breakers, spaders, tampers, and portable hoists. Florida-Georgia employs a 25-man staff of construction-equipment spe-

Arnold Opens Idaho Branch

Arnold Machinery Co., Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah, has established a branch store in Idaho Falls, Idaho. The company is exclusive dealer in this area for lift trucks, Karry Kranes, and Straddle Trucks manufactured by Hyster Co., Portland, Oreg. Eugene Sandall is Manager of the Idaho Falls branch, and Frank Hoaglund is Sales

New Dealership for GMC Trucks

LITTLEFORD BROS., INC.

485 E. Pearl St., Cincinnati 2, Ohio

The newly organized Farley-GMC Truck Co., Inc. has taken over the General Motors Corp. truck dealership at 603 W. 23rd St., New York, N. Y. President of the new distributor firm is James A. Farley, former U. S. Postmaster General, who is also President of General Builders Supply Corp., and a director of several other companies and organizations.

Cummins Diesel Sales Ups Lawrence W. B. Lawrence is a newly elected vice-president of Cummins Diesel Sales Corp., Columbus, Ind. He joined the Cummins organization in 1948 as Rocky Mountain Regional Manager in Denver, Colo. He continues as General Manager of the eight Cummins dealerships operated by the Sales Corp.

New Sales Mgr. for Canadian Firm Robert Miller is the new Sales Manager of Innes Equipment, Ltd., Toronto, Canada, distributor of Heil road machinery in eastern Canada. He was for-

merly Sales Manager of The Heil Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

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New 22-Yard Scraper

A new 22-vard tractor-drawn scraper is made by Wooldridge Mfg. Co., Sunnyvale, Calif. The TC-190 has a 19-cubic-yard struck and a 22-cubicyard heaped capacity. Standard equipment calls for 21.00 x 24 tires front,

24.00 x 25 rear.

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effort is said to be achieved by a rolling motion applied by the Wooldridge ejector, pivoted at the blade Other features claimed by the company include simple cable reeving and long cable life, maneuverability aided by low gravity center with high ground and yoke clearance, and rapid

Further information may be secured from the company. Or use the Request Card bound in at page 16. Circle No.

Tool and Die Salvaging

A 64-page manual, "Tool and Die Salvage Welding", has been issued by Eutectic Welding Alloys Corp., 40-40 172nd St., Flushing, N. Y. It contains data on the latest developments and discusses more efficient and more widespread usage of improved tool and die welding procedures.

The manual covers problems in welding-tool steels; it describes an effective welding and salvage program

for tools and dies; and it lists to which can be successfully welded a salvaged. It includes photos, drawing charts, and diagrams covering the operations.

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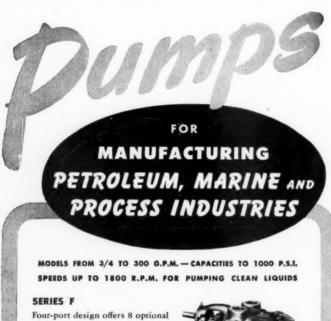
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This literature, the fourth of a seri "how-to-weld-it-better" manual may be obtained from the company, a by using the Request Card at page I Circle No. 452.

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With the organization of the Was May Scaffolding Co., 3727 San Fe. nando Road, Glendale, Calif., Wilson-Albrecht Co., Inc., Minneapolis, Mim manufacturer of sectional steel sectional manufacturer a national manufacturer turing and distribution program begin in 1946. Wilson-Albrecht has grante the new firm an exclusive license manufacture and distribute Waco scale folding in California, Arizona, Idah Oregon, Utah, and Washington. Donal A. Spencer is Sales Manager of Wan



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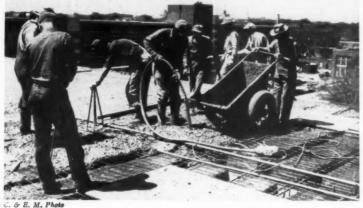
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Secor started work in November, 1952, and will have the job completed by November of this year. Pete Novak was Superintendent.

Eberling Rejoins Caterpillar

Herman G. Eberling has returned to Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill., as Assistant Manager of the company's Plains Sales Division. Mr. Eberling, who served in the Army Ordinance during World War II, re-entered the service in 1950, and this year received his discharge. He started his career with Caterpillar in 1933, and from then until 1942 was bench specialist, shop inspector, diesel lecturer, and sales-training director. In 1945, when he when he finished his war service in the Army, he became a district representative; then an assistant divisional manager.

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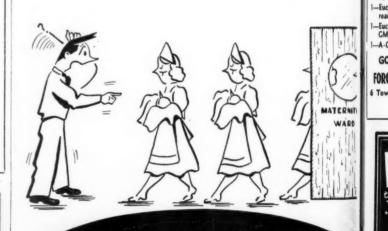


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